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Software:

SALES FORECAST
This program will give you the best forecast using the four most popular forecasting techniques, such as linear regression, log trend, power curve trend, and exponential smoothing. The program uses artificial intelligence to make the decision on the best fit, and displays all results for manual opeation if desired. Written by Neil D. Lipson, requires 16K memory.

CURVE FIT
Will take any number of data points in any fasion, and give you the choice of having the computer choose the best curve fit, or you may choose yourself what type of fit you desire. The four given are log curve fit, exponential curve fit, least squeres, and power curve fit. The results are then graphed. Written by Dave Garson, requires 16K memory.

CALENDAR
This program will perform two functions: days between dates (any two dates) or a perpetual calendar. If the calendar is chosen, it will automatically give the successive months by merely hitting the return key. May be used with or without a printer. Written by Ed Hanley, requires 16K memory.

STARWARS
The original and best starwars game, written by Bob Bishop. You fire upon the tie fighter after aligning the fighter in your crosshairs. This is a high resolution game in color that uses the paddles. Requires 16K memory.

ROCKET PILOT
This is an exciting game where you are on a planet taking off with your rocket ship, trying to fly over a mountain. The simulation of the rocket blasters actually accelerates you up, and if you are not careful, you will run out of sky. The contour of the land changes each time you play the game. Written by Bob Bishop, requires 16K memory.

SPACE MAZE
This game puts you in a maze with a rockey ship, and you try to "steer" out of it with your paddles or joystick. It's a real challenge. It is done in high resolution graphics in color, done by Bob Bishop. Requires 16K memory.

SAUCER INVASION
This program was written by Bob Bishop. You are being invaded by a flying saucer and you can shoot at it with your missile and control the position with your paddle. Requires 16K memory.

MISSILE-ANTI-MISSILE
Missile-Anti-Missile is a high resolution game. The viewer will see a target appear on the screen, followed by a 3-dimensional digital drawing of the United States. Then a small submarine appears. The submarine is controlled by hostile forces (upon pressing the space bar) which launches a pre-emptive nuclear strike upon the United States(controlled by paddle No. 1). At the time that the missile is fired from the submarine, the United States launches its own anti-missile (the anti-missile is controlled by paddle No. 0). There are many levels of play depending upon the speed. Written by Dave Moteles and Neil Lipson. Requires 16K memory.

MORSE CODE
This program allows the user to learn morse code by the user typing in letters, words or sentences in english. Then the dots and dashes are plotted on the screen. At the same time sounds are generated to match the screen's output. Several transmission speed levels are available. Written by Ed Handley. Requires 16K memory.

POLAR COORDINATE PLOT
A high resolution graphics program which provides the user with 5 primary classic polar coordinate plots and a method by which the user can insert his own equation. When the user's equation is inserted into the program it will plot on a numbered grid and then immediately after plotting, flash, in a table form, the data needed to construct such a plot on paper. The program takes 16K of memory and ROM board. Written by Dave Moteles.

UTILITY PAK 1
This is a combination of 4 programs: (by Vince Corsetti)
   Integer to Applesoft Conversion - this program will convert any integer basic program to an applesoft program. After you finished, you merely correct all of those syntax errors that occur with applesoft only.
   Disk Append - will append any two integer programs from a disk into one program.
   Integer Basic Copy - allows you to copy an integer basic program from one disk to another by merely hitting return. Useful when copying the same program many times.
   Update Applesoft - will correct Applesoft on the disk to eliminate the heading that always occurs when it is initially run.
   Binary Copy - this program copies a binary file from one disk to another by merely hitting return. It automatically finds the length and starting address of the program for your convenience.

BLOCKADE
Two people try to block each other by buildings walls and blocking the other. An exciting game written in integer basic for 16K. Written by Vince Corsetti.

TABLE GENERATOR
Is a program which forms shape tables with ease. Shape tables are formed from directional vectors and the program also adds other information such as starting address, length and position of each shape. The table generator allows you to save the shape table in any usable location in memory. It is an applesoft program. Written by Summary Summers.
Price: $9.95

All Programs....... $9.95 EACH

All Programs are 16K unless specified.

HARDWARE:

LIGHT PEN
Includes 5 programs. Light Meter, which gives you reading of light every fraction of a second from 0 to 588. The light graph will graph the value of light hitting the pen on the screen. The light pen will "draw" on the screen points which you have drawn and then connect them. It will also give the coordinates of the points if desired, drawn in lo-res. The fourth program will do the same except draw it in hi-res. The fifth program is a utility program that allows you to place any number of points on the screen for use in menu selection or in games, and when you touch this point, it will choose it. It is not confused by outside light, and uses artificial intelligence. Only the hi-res light pen requires 48K and ROM card. Written by Neil D. Lipson.

Light Pen supported by 5 programs..... $34.95

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A Baudot Teletype Driver for the APPLE II

Hard copy output can be economical if low cost surplus components are adapted to a 6502 system. Once the I/O interface has been achieved, character code incompatibility need not be a problem.

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For many APPLE II owners, the investment in a high quality ASCII printer has to be deferred for a while and, in the interim, a printer of some sort is still highly desirable. One very inexpensive way to fill this need is to use the common Baudot Teletype. Typically, any of several models in good working order can be obtained for anywhere from $25 to $300. Large numbers of these units are made available as surplus by the telephone companies, the National Weather Service, and all branches of the Armed Forces.

As surplus, they sell for a small fraction of their original value. Of course, these Teletypes use an obsolete five bit character code, Baudot, but the following program performs the conversion from Baudot to ASCII automatically. If for some reason you need to use an ASCII character that does not convert directly to Baudot, such as the "=" sign, the program will print a space that you can fill in later. Alternatively, one could substitute some other Baudot character by changing the appropriate value in the lookup table. This problem is rarely encountered, except in certain BASIC program listings.

The program combines ideas from many other programs, but basically it is an adaptation of Chuck Carpenter's programs that appeared in MICRO 3:13 and 4:27. The program makes use of ANO, a one bit output port available on the paddle connector socket. There are no addresses used outside the program that can be "stepped on" by the system monitor or BASIC programs. While the printer is running, the characters will still appear on the video monitor normally, as they are printed.

Enter the program from the monitor at $300. From Integer BASIC use a "CALL 768," and from AppleSoft use something like A = USR 768. To exit while in the monitor, hit RESET and, when in either BASIC, use "PR#0."

```
10 CALL 768
20 PRINT "TESTING BAUDOT DRIVER
1234567890."
30 PR#0
40 END
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To change from 60 WPM to 100 WPM operation, change the timing value at $377 from #$5F to #$48. The output can be inverted by exchanging the values at $36F and $374.

```
                              ORG    $0300
0020: 0300 A9 09              LDAIM  $09
0030: 0302 85 36              STA    $0036
0040: 0304 A9 03              LDAIM  $03
0050: 0306 85 37              STA    $0037
0060: 0308 60                 RTS
0070: 0309 8C C2 03           STY    $03C2
0080: 030C 8E C3 03           STX    $03C3
0090: 030F 48                 PHA
0100: 0310 20 2D 03           JSR    $032D
0110: 0313 68                 PLA
0120: 0314 C9 8D              CMPIM  $8D
0130: 0316 D0 0C              BNE    $0324
0140: 0318 48                 PHA
0150: 0319 A9 00              LDAIM  $00
0160: 031B 20 2D 03           JSR    $032D
0170: 031E A9 8A              LDAIM  $8A
0180: 0320 20 2D 03           JSR    $032D
0190: 0323 68                 PLA
0200: 0324 AC C2 03           LDY    $03C2
0210: 0327 AE C3 03           LDX    $03C3
0220: 032A 4C F0 FD           JMP    $FDF0
0230: 032D 29 7F              ANDIM  $7F
0240: 032F A2 3F              LDXIM  $3F
0250: 0331 DD 81 03           CMPX   $0381
0260: 0334 F0 07              BEQ    $033D
0270: 0336 CA                 DEX
0280: 0337 10 F8              BPL    $0331
0290: 0339 A9 04              LDAIM  $04
0300: 033B D0 01              BNE    $033E
0310: 033D 8A                 TXA
0320: 033E C9 20              CMPIM  $20
0330: 0340 B0 15              BCS    $0357
0340: 0342 2C C4 03           BIT    $03C4
0350: 0345 10 0C              BPL    $0353
0360: 0347 48                 PHA
0370: 0348 A9 00              LDAIM  $00
0380: 034A 8D C4 03           STA    $03C4
0390: 034D A9 1F              LDAIM  $1F
0400: 034F 20 66 03           JSR    $0366
0410: 0352 68                 PLA
0420: 0353 20 66 03           JSR    $0366
0430: 0356 60                 RTS
0440: 0357 2C C4 03           BIT    $03C4
0450: 035A 30 F7              BMI    $0353
0460: 035C 48                 PHA
0470: 035D A9 80              LDAIM  $80
0480: 035F 8D C4 03           STA    $03C4
0490: 0362 A9 1B              LDAIM  $1B
0500: 0364 D0 E9              BNE    $034F
0510: 0366 A0 07              LDYIM  $07
0520: 0368 18                 CLC
0530: 0369 09 E0              ORAIM  $E0
0540: 036B 48                 PHA
0550: 036C B0 05              BCS    $0373
0560: 036E 8D 59 C0           STA    $C059
0570: 0371 90 03              BCC    $0376
0580: 0373 AD 58 C0           LDA    $C058
0590: 0376 A9 5F              LDAIM  $5F
0600: 0378 20 A8 FC           JSR    $FCA8
0610: 037B 68                 PLA
0620: 037C 6E A8 FC           ROR    $FCA8
0630: 037F 88                 DEY
0640: 0380 D0 E9              BNE    $036B
0650: 0382 60                 RTS
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Structured BASIC Editor and Pre-processor

Enter, list, modify and resequence BASIC programs with this versatile pre-processor for the OSI Challenger. Here is one editor that you can modify because it is written in BASIC. What's more, you can modify it in structured BASIC because the structured BASIC syntax is implemented as a bonus.

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This program is a line editor and pre-processor which converts a structured BASIC program into executable BASIC statements. It is written in Microsoft BASIC and takes up about 10K of memory. Using only string operations, it changes IF THEN ELSE, DO WHILE, CASE, REPEAT UNITL, and REPEAT FOREVER structures into their equivalent forms.

Besides these constructs, it also allows the use of subroutine names. The editor portion of the program can add lines, delete single lines, delete blocks of lines, modify existing lines, print out a single line, print out a block of lines, print out the complete text, and resequence all of the lines. Table I is a list of editor commands.

The editor works by first reading in a string and comparing this string to a list of commands (see Figure 1). If it matches the string to a command, it then branches to the appropriate routine. Without a match, the program assumes that the string is a line of text. It next compares each character to a pound sign and a backwards slash. These characters are immediately changed to a comma or colon, respectively. Since BASIC does not accept commas or colons in an input string, this is a necessary inconvenience.

After this, the program tries to parse out the line number and checks for at least one non-numeric character after the line number. A missing line number initiates an error message. Thus, an illegal command would cause a message stating that one forgot the line number. On the other hand, a line number without following text would be interpreted as a request to delete that line number.

Upon finding a line number and text, it strips the line number from the text and stores the line number, separately, in a doubly linked circular list with a head node at an index of zero (see Figure 3).

The preprocessor alters the text received by the editor and returns control to the editor when processing is finished or an error is detected. First the pre-processor (see Figure 2) resequences the line numbers, insuring enough room to add lines later. The next step is to parse out the first token in the first line. This token is then compared with "SUBROUTINE." A match tells the program that this is a statement which declares a subroutine; to save the subroutine name and line number in the subroutine name table.

Matching with CASE, THEN, DO, REPEAT, ELSE, or a semi-colon requires the program to parse out the arithmetic expression, if it exists, and store it, along with a structure type code and line index, on the stack. A match with "END" causes a record to be popped from the stack, and a branch to a routine which converts that type of structure into standard BASIC statements.

If no match is found for any of these keywords, each character thereafter is compared with the ampersand, which is reserved for use only as the first character in a subroutine name. Finding an ampersand, the program parses out the subroutine name and stores it in the subroutine call table, along with line index, line length, and start and stop positions of the name. This same procedure is then repeated for every line of text. After finishing this, the subroutine call table is read, and every subroutine

Table I — Editor Command Summary

RESEQ	—	Renumbers all lines in multiples in ten.
LIST	—	Prints out entire text.
LIST X	—	X is a valid line number. Prints out only line number X. The space between LIST and X is optional.
LIST X Y	—	X is a valid line number, and Y can be any number. Prints out all lines from X to Y. There must be at least one non-numeric character between X and Y.
DEL X	—	Same restrictions as LIST X. Deletes only line number X.
DEL X Y	—	Same restrictions as LIST X Y. Deletes all lines from X to Y.
MOD X	—	Same restrictions as LIST X. Allows you to modify line number X. Program asks for a stop character and repetition.
NEW	—	Has the effect of clearing the text by breaking links.
BASIC	—	Command to start pre-processing.

name in the text is changed to a line number. This completes the pre-processing.

There are a few things to keep in mind when using this pre-processor. You should be very careful when coding GOTO statements, because the line numbers are resequenced before processing. The structured input text is altered, and so the structured text for all practical purposes is lost. As for using the structured statements, following the examples in the printout should help. Remember that in all of the structured statements spaces are necessary between words, and spaces must not be used within an arithmetic or logical expression. This is because the program uses the space, colon, and end of line to identify an expression or word ending. Multiple structured statements per line cannot be used because the program sees only the first one.

This pre-processor is relatively easy to use with a cassette interface. First enter the structured program using the editor, then convert it to BASIC with the Basic command. When you see the message stating that pre-processing is finished, type in "LIST" but do not hit return. Turn on your cassette, and then hit return. You now have the program on tape and can load it like any other program.

```
1 REM.............................................................
2 REM.... PRE-PROCESSOR TO CONVERT STRUCTURED BASIC TO ........
3 REM....                    BASIC                      ........
4 REM....            BY ROBERT ABRAHAMSON               ........
5 REM....                  4 MAY 79                     ........
6 REM.............................................................
10 DIM TS(100),LL(101),RL(101),LN(101),SCS(20),ST(20,4)
20 DIM SDS(20),SU(20),ARS(10),SR(10),IN(10)
30 REM... INITIATE AVAILABLE POOL OF NODES .....
40 FORI=1TO99:RL(I)=I+1:NEXTI
50 RL(100)=0:AV=1:RL(0)=0:LL(0)=0
60 INPUT SS
70 REM... DECODE COMMANDS .....
80 IFLEFTS(SS,3)="NEW"THEN30
90 IFLEFTS(SS,3)="DEL"THEN860
100 IFLEFTS(SS,3)="MOD"THEN960
110 IFLEFTS(SS,4)="LIST"THEN730
120 IFLEFTS(SS,5)="RESEQ"THENGOSUB370:GOTO60
130 IFLEFTS(SS,5)="BASIC"THEN1790
140 REM... ASSUME LINE OF TEXT .....
150 GOSUB1320:GOSUB450
160 IFP<>0THEN190
170 PRINT"OK, WHERE'S THE LINE NUMBER?"
180 GOTO60
190 IFLG>ITHEN220
200 GOSUB640:IFGN=0THEN60
210 GOSUB1220:GOTO60
220 SS=RIGHTS(SS,LG-I)
230 REM... LOCATE WHERE TO ADD IN NEW LINE .....
240 GN=LL(0)
250 IFGN=0THENAN=0:GOTO340
255 IFLN>LN(GN)THENAN=GN:GOTO340
260 IFLN<LN(RL(0))THENAN=0:GOTO340
270 GN=0
280 GN=RL(GN):IFGN=0THEN320
290 IFLN=LN(GN)THENAN=LL(GN):GOTO330
300 IFLN>LN(GN)ANDLN<LN(RL(GN))THENAN=GN:GOTO340
310 GOTO280
320 PRINT"I CAN'T FIND A SPOT FOR THE NEW LINE.":GOTO60
330 GOSUB1220
340 GOSUB1160
350 IFGN=0THENPRINT"OUT OF TEXT SPACE":GOTO60
360 GOSUB1270:GOTO60
370 REM
380 REM...RESEQUENCE ROUTINE .....
390 REM
400 GN=0:LN=10
410 GN=RL(GN)
420 IFGN=0THENPRINT:RETURN
430 LN(GN)=LN:LN=LN+10
440 GOTO410
450 REM
460 REM... FIND START OF LINE NUMBER, PARSE IT OUT .....
470 REM... INPUTS: SS=STRING TO PARSE
480 REM... OUTPUTS: P,I=START AND END OF LINE NUMBER
490 REM...              LN =LINE NUMBER
500 REM...              LG =LENGTH OF SS
510 X=1
520 LG=LEN(SS)
525 IFX>LGTHENP=0:RETURN
530 FORP=XTOLG
540 ::A=ASC(MIDS(SS,P,1))
550 :::IFA>=48ANDA<=57THEN580
560 NEXTP
570 P=0:RETURN
580 FORI=PTOLG
590 ::A=ASC(MIDS(SS,I,1))
600 :::IFA<48ORA>57THENI=I-1:GOTO630
610 NEXTI
620 I=I-1
630 LN=VAL(MIDS(SS,P,I-P+1)):RETURN
640 REM
650 REM... SUBROUTINE TO FIND LINE NUMBER .....
660 REM...    INPUT   LN=LINE NUMBER      .....
670 REM...    OUTPUT  GN=INDEX            .....
```


Figure 1: Editor Flow Chart

```
680 REM
690 GN=0
700 GN=RL(GN):IFGN=0THENRETURN
710 IFLN=LN(GN)THENRETURN
720 GOTO700
730 REM
740 REM... LIST ROUTINE .....
750 REM
760 GOSUB450
770 IFP=0THEN820
780 GOSUB640
790 IFGN=0THENPRINT:GOTO60
800 X=I+1:GOSUB520:IFP=0THENPRINTLN(GN);T$(GN):GOTO60
801 PRINTLN(GN);T$(GN):GN=RL(GN)
802 IFLN(GN)<=LNANDGN<>0THEN801
810 GOTO60
820 GN=0
830 GN=RL(GN):IFGN=0THENPRINT:GOTO60
840 PRINTLN(GN):T$(GN)
850 GOTO830
860 REM
870 REM... DELETE COMMAND PROCEDURE .....
880 REM
890 GOSUB450
900 IFP<>0THEN920
910 PRINT"WHERE'S THE LINE NUMBER?":GOTO60
920 GOSUB640
930 IFGN=0THENPRINT"LINE NOT FOUND":GOTO60
940 X=I+1:GOSUB520:IFP=0THENGOSUB1220:GOTO950
941 G1=RL(GN):GOSUB1220:GN=G1
942 IFLN(GN)<=LNANDGN<>0THEN941
950 PRINT"DELETED":GOTO60
960 REM
970 REM... MODIFY COMMAND PROCEDURE .....
980 REM
990 GOSUB450
1000 IFP=0THENPRINT"NO LINE NUMBER":GOTO60
1010 GOSUB640
1020 IFGN=0THENPRINT"NOT FOUND":GOTO60
1030 PRINTLN(GN):T$(GN)
1040 PRINT"STOP CHARACTER"::INPUTST$
1050 PRINT"REPETITION"::INPUTF
1060 PRINTLN(GN);
1070 FORP=1TOLEN(T$(GN))
1080 ::PRINTMID$(T$(GN),P,1);
1090 ::IFMID$(T$(GN),P,1)=ST$THENF=F-1
1100 ::IFF=<0THEN1120
1110 NEXTP
1120 INPUTST$
1130 S$=LEFT$(T$(GN),P)+ST$
1140 GOSUB1320:T$(GN)=S$
1150 GOTO800
1160 REM
1170 REM... SUBROUTINE GETNODE GN FROM POOL .....
1180 REM
1190 IFAV<>0THEN1210
1200 PRINT"OUT OF NODES":GN=0:RETURN
1210 GN=AV:AV=RL(AV):RETURN
1220 REM
1230 REM... SUBROUTINE DELETE NODE GN FROM LIST .....
1240 REM
1250 RL(LL(GN))=RL(GN):LL(RL(GN))=LL(GN)
1260 RL(GN)=AV:AV=GN:RETURN
1270 REM
1280 REM... SUBROUTINE ADD NODE GN TO RIGHT OF AN .....
1290 REM
1300 RL(GN)=RL(AN):LL(GN)=AN:LL(RL(AN))=GN
1310 RL(AN)=GN:LN(GN)=LN:T$(GN)=S$:RETURN
1320 REM
1330 REM... SUBROUTINE ADD IN COMMAS/COLONS TO TEXT .....
1340 REM
1350 LG=LEN(S$)
1360 FORI=1TOLG
```

INDEX	ARITHMETIC EXPRESSION	STRUCTURE TYPE CODE
IN(Q)	AR$(Q)	SR(Q)
Q POINTS TO THE TOP OF THE STACK		

STACK
RECORD

LEFT LINK	LINE NUMBER	TEXT	RIGHT LINK
LL(I)	LN(I)	T$(I)	RL(I)
CIRCULAR DOUBLE LINKED LIST WITH HEAD NODE AT I=0			

LINE OF
TEXT

NAME OF SUBROUTINE	START POS. OF NAME	END POS. OF NAME	LINE LENGTH	LINE INDEX
SC$(SC)	ST(SC,1)	ST(SC,3)	ST(SC,4)	ST(SC,2)
SC POINTS TO THE LAST TABLE ENTRY				

SUBROUTINE
CALL TABLE

NAME OF SUBROUTINE	LINE NUMBER
SD$(SD)	SU(SD)
SD POINTS TO THE LAST TABLE ENTRY	

SUBROUTINE
DEFINITION
OR NAME
TABLE

```
1370 ::IFMID$(S$,I,1)="/"THENST$=",":GOTO1400
1380 ::IFMID$(S$,I,1)="\"THENST$=":":GOTO1400
1390 ::GOTO1430
1400 ::S1$=LEFT$(S$,I-1)+ST$
1410 ::IFLG>ITHENS1$=S1$+RIGHT$(S$,LG-I)
1420 ::S$=S1$
1430 NEXTI
1440 RETURN
1450 REM
1460 REM... PARSE SUBROUTINE .....
1470 REM... INPUTS:    S$=STRING TO PARSE
1480 REM...            P1=START POSITION
1490 REM... OUTPUTS:   LG=LENGTH OF S$
1500 REM...            P1=START OF TOKEN
1510 REM...            P2=END OF TOKEN + 1
1520 REM...            TK$=TOKEN
1530 LG=LEN(S$):TK$="......"
1540 IFMID$(S$,P1,1)=" "THENP1=P1+1:GOTO1540
1550 FORP2=P1TOLG
1560 ::TP$=MID$(S$,P2,1)
1570 ::IFTP$=" "THEN1610
1580 ::IFTP$="&"ANDP2>P1THEN1610
1590 ::IFTP$=":"THEN1610
1600 NEXTP2
1610 TK$=MID$(S$,P1,P2-P1)
1620 RETURN
1630 REM
1640 REM...SUBROUTINE PUSH ONTO STACK
1650 REM...INPUTS: TK$=ARITHMETIC EXPRESSION
1660 REM...         SR=STRUCTURE TYPE CODE
1670 REM...         IN=INDEX
1680 Q=Q+1:IFQ>10THENPRINT"STACK OVERFLOW ERROR":STOP
1690 AR$(Q)=TK$:SR(Q)=SR:IN(Q)=IN
1700 RETURN
1710 REM
1720 REM...SUBROUTINE POP OFF OF STACK
1730 REM...OUTPUTS: TK$=ARITHMETIC EXPRESSION
1740 REM...          SR=STRUCTURE TYPE CODE
1750 REM...          IN=INDEX
1760 IFQ=0THENPRINT"STACK UNDERFLOW ERROR":STOP
1770 TK$=AR$(Q):SR=SR(Q):IN=IN(Q)
1780 Q=Q-1:RETURN
1790 REM
1800 REM... CONVERT STRUCTURED TO BASIC .....
1810 REM
1820 GOSUB370
1830 NL=0:SD=0:SC=0:Q=0:G$="GOTO":G1$="REM"
1840 G2$="THEN":G3$="IF"
1850 NL=RL(NL):IFNL=0THEN3150
1860 S$=T$(NL):P1=1:GOSUB1450
1870 IFTK$="SUBROUTINE"THEN1890
1880 GOTO1960
1890 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
1900 IFLEFT$(TK$,1)="&"THEN1930
1910 PRINT"ERROR IN SUBROUTINE NAME, NO &"
1920 PRINTLN(NL);T$(NL):GOTO60
1930 T$(NL)=G1$+T$(NL):SD=SD+1
1940 IFSD>20THENPRINT"OUT OF SUB TABLE SPACE":GOTO60
1950 SD$(SD)=TK$:SU(SD)=LN(NL):GOTO1850
1960 IFTK$="DO"THEN1980
1970 GOTO2040
1980 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
1990 IFTK$="WHILE"THEN2010
2000 PRINT"ERROR IN DO WHILE STATEMENT SYNTAX":GOTO1920
2010 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
2020 SR=1:IN=NL:GOSUB1630
2030 GOTO1850
2040 IFTK$="REPEAT"THEN2060
2050 GOTO2150
2060 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
2070 IFTK$="UNTIL"THEN2110
2080 IFTK$="FOREVER"THEN2100
2090 PRINT"ERROR IN REPEAT STRUCTURE SYNTAX":GOTO1920
2100 IN=NL:SR=3:TK$="":GOTO2130
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2110 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
2120 SR=2:IN=NL
2130 GOSUB1630:TS(NL)=G1$+TS(NL)
2140 GOTO1850
2150 IFTKS="CASE"THEN2170
2160 GOTO2220
2170 TS(NL)=G1$+TS(NL)
2180 IN=NL:SR=4:TKS=""
2190 GOSUB1630:GOTO1850
2220 IFTKS=";"THEN2240
2230 GOTO2270
2240 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
2250 SR=5:IN=NL:GOSUB1630
2260 GOTO1850
2270 IFTKS="THEN"THEN2290
2280 GOTO2370
2290 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
2300 IFTKS="DO"THEN2320
2310 PRINT"ERROR IN IF-THEN DO STATEMENT SYNTAX":GOTO1920
2320 NM=LL(NL):P1=1:SS=TS(NM):GOSUB1450
2330 IFTKS<>"IF"THENNL=NM:GOTO2310
2340 P1=P2:GOSUB1450
2350 SR=6:IN=NM:GOSUB1630
2360 GOSUB1850
2370 IFTKS="ELSE"THEN2390
2380 GOTO2420
2390 SR=7:IN=NL:TKS="":GOSUB1630
2400 TS(NL)=G1$+TS(NL)
2410 GOTO1850
2420 IFTKS="END"THEN2440
2430 GOTO2470
2440 IFQ>0THENGOSUB1710:GOTO2450
2445 PRINT"TOO MANY END STATEMENTS":GOTO60
2450 ON SR GOTO 2570,2720,2670,2970,2820,2980,3040
2470 FORP1=P2TOLG
2480 ::IFMID$(SS,P1,1)="&"THEN2510
2490 NEXTP1
2500 GOTO1850
2510 GOSUB1450
2520 SC=SC+1
2530 IFSC>20THENPRINT"OUT OF SUB CALL SPACE":GOTO60
2540 ST(SC,1)=P1:ST(SC,3)=P2:ST(SC,4)=LG
2550 ST(SC,2)=NL:SCS(SC)=TKS
2560 GOTO2470
2570 REM
2580 REM... CONVERT DO/WHILE STRUCTURE .....
2590 REM
2600 EN=LN(NL):DW=LN(IN)
2610 TS(NL)=G1$+TS(NL)
2620 TS(IN)=G3$+TKS+G2$+STR$(DW+10)
2630 LN=DW+1:SS=GS+STR$(EN):AN=IN
2640 GOSUB1160:GOSUB1270
2650 LN=EN-1:SS=GS+STR$(DW):AN=LL(NL)
2660 GOSUB1160:GOSUB1270:GOTO1850
2670 REM
2680 REM... CONVERT REPEAT FOREVER STRUCTURE .....
2690 REM
2700 TS(NL)=GS+STR$(LN(IN))
2710 GOTO1850
2720 REM
2730 REM... CONVERT REPEAT UNTIL STRUCTURE .....
2740 REM
2750 EN=LN(NL):DW=LN(IN)
2760 TS(NL)=G3$+TKS+G2$+STR$(EN+2)
2770 LN=EN+1:SS=GS+STR$(DW):AN=NL
2780 GOSUB1160:GOSUB1270
2790 LN=EN+2:SS=G1$:AN=GN
2800 GOSUB1160:GOSUB1270
2810 GOTO1850
2820 REM
2830 REM... CONVERT CASE STRUCTURE .....
2840 REM
2850 ED=LN(NL):S1=LN(IN):PC=ED
2860 TS(NL)=G1$+TS(NL)
2870 LN=S1+1:SS=GS+STR$(PC):AN=IN
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2880  GOSUB1160:GOSUB1270
2890  TS(IN)=G3S+TKS+G2S+STRS(S1+10)
2900  IFSR(0)<>5THEN2950
2910  LN=S1-1:SS=GS+STRS(ED):AN=LL(IN)
2920  GOSUB1160:GOSUB1270
2930  GOSUB1710:PC=S1:S1=LN(IN)
2940  GOTO2870
2950  GOSUB1710:IFSR<>4THENPRINT"CASE ERROR":NL=IN:GOTO1920
2960  GOTO1850
2970  PRINT"CASE ERROR":NL=IN:GOTO1920
2980  REM
2990  REM... CONVERT IF/THEN DO STRUCTURE .....
3000  REM
3010  TS(RL(IN))=GS+STRS(LN(NL)):TS(NL)=G1S+TS(NL)
3020  TS(IN)=TS(IN)+G2S+STRS(LN(IN)+20)
3030  GOTO1850
3040  REM
3050  REM... CONVERT IF THEN ELSE STRUCTURE .....
3060  REM
3070  ED=LN(NL):TS(NL)=G1S+TS(NL):EL=LN(IN)
3080  LN=EL-1:SS=GS+STRS(ED):AN=LL(IN)
3090  GOSUB1160:GOSUB1270
3100  GOSUB1710
3110  IFSR<>6THENPRINT"IF THEN ELSE ERROR":NL=IN:GOTO1920
3120  TS(RL(IN))=GS+STRS(EL)
3130  TS(IN)=TS(IN)+G2S+STRS(LN(IN)+20)
3140  GOTO1850
3150  REM
3160  REM... SUBSTITUTE NUMBERS FOR SUBROUTINE NAMES .....
3170  REM
3180  IFSC=0THEN3320
3190  IFSD=0THENPRINT"ERROR-NO SUBROUTINES DEFINED":GOTO3320
3200  FORI=1TOSC
3210  ::FORJ=1TOSD
3220  ::::IFSCS(I)=SDS(J)THEN3260
3230  ::NEXTJ
3240  ::PRINT"ERROR-SUBROUTINE ";SCS(I);" NOT DEFINED"
3250  ::GOTO3310
3260  ::SS=TS(ST(I+2)):LG=LEN(SS)
3270  ::F=LG-ST(I+4):P1=ST(I+1)+F:P2=ST(I+3)+F
3280  ::TKS=LEFTS(SS,P1-1)+STRS(SU(J))
3290  ::IFP2<=LGTHENTKS=TKS+RIGHTS(SS,LG-P2+1)
3300  ::TS(ST(I+2))=TKS
3310  NEXTI
3320  PRINT"END OF PRE-PROCESSING":PRINT:GOTO60
```

```
RUN
? 10 REM EXAMPLE OF DO WHILE STRUCTURE
? 20 REM
? 30 DO WHILE X<>0ANDY<>0ANDZ<>0
? 40      FIRST STATEMENT
? 50      SECOND STATEMENT
? 60      LAST STATEMENT
? 70 END
? LIST
  10   REM EXAMPLE OF DO WHILE STRUCTURE
  20   REM
  30   DO WHILE X<>0ANDY<>0ANDZ<>0
  40      FIRST STATEMENT
  50      SECOND STATEMENT
  60      LAST STATEMENT
  70   END

? BASIC

END OF PRE-PROCESSING

? LIST
  10   REM EXAMPLE OF DO WHILE STRUCTURE
  20   REM
  30   IFX<>0ANDY<>0ANDZ<>0THEN 40
  31 GOTO 70
  40      FIRST STATEMENT
  50      SECOND STATEMENT
  60      LAST STATEMENT
  69 GOTO 30
  70 REM END
```

```
? LIST
  10   REM...EXAMPLE OF IF THEN DO STRUCTURE
  20   REM
  30   IF X<>0
  31      THEN DO
  40      FIRST STATEMENT
  50      SECOND STATEMENT
  60      LAST STATEMENT
  70   END


? BASIC+++++LIST
  10   REM...EXAMPLE OF IF THEN DO STRUCTURE
  20   REM
  30   IF X<>0THEN 50
  40 GOTO 90
  50      FIRST STATEMENT
  60      SECOND STATEMENT
  70      N TH STATEMENT
  80      LAST STATEMENT
  90 REM END

? LIST
  10   REM EXAMPLE OF IF THEN ELSE STRUCTURE
  20   REM
  30   IF NUMBER=0THEN 50
  40 GOTO 60
  50      PRINT"THE NUMBER IS ZERO"
  59 GOTO 80
  60 REM    ELSE
  70      PRINT"THE NUMBER IS NON-ZERO"
  80 REM END
```

```
? LIST
 10   REM EXAMPLE OF REPEAT UNTIL STRUCTURE
 20   REM
 30   REPEAT UNTIL A=0
 40       FIRST STATEMENT:SECOND STATEMENT
 50       N-1 TH STATEMENT
 60       N TH STATEMENT
 70   END

? BASIC

END OF PRE-PROCESSING

? LIST
 10   REM EXAMPLE OF REPEAT UNTIL STRUCTURE
 20   REM
 30   REM REPEAT UNTIL A=0
 40       FIRST STATEMENT:SECOND STATEMENT
 50       N-1 TH STATEMENT
 60       N TH STATEMENT
 70   IFA=0THEN 72
 71   GOTO 30
 72   REM


? LIST
 10   REM EXAMPLE USING SUBROUTINES
 20   REM
 30   GOSUB &INPUT:GOSUB&OUTPUT
 40   GOSUB &OUTPUT
 50   STOP
 60   REM NOTE THAT LINE 50 IS NOT NECESSARY
 70   REM
 80   SUBROUTINE &INPUT
 90       BODY OF SUB
100   RETURN
110   REM
120   SUBROUTINE &OUTPUT
130       BODY OF SUB &OUTPUT
140   RETURN

? BASIC

END OF PRE-PROCESSING

? LIST
 10   REM EXAMPLE USING SUBROUTINES
 20   REM
 30   GOSUB   80:GOSUB 120
 40   GOSUB   120
 50   STOP
 60   REM NOTE THAT LINE 50 IS NOT NECESSARY
 70   REM
 80   REM SUBROUTINE &INPUT
 90       BODY OF SUB
100   RETURN
110   REM
120   REM SUBROUTINE &OUTPUT
130       BODY OF SUB  120
140   RETURN

? LIST
 10   REM EXAMPLE OF REPEAT FOREVER STRUCTURE
 20   REM
 30   REPEAT FOREVER
 40       FIRST STATEMENT
 50       ...............
 60       LAST STATEMENT
 70   END    (REMEMBER THAT END CONCLUDES EACH

? BASIC

END OF PRE-PROCESSING

? LIST
 10   REM EXAMPLE OF REPEAT FOREVER STRUCTURE
 20   REM
 30   REM REPEAT FOREVER
 40       FIRST STATEMENT
 50       ...............
 60       LAST STATEMENT
 70   GOTO 30
```


Figure 2:   Pre-Processor Flow Chart

```
? LIST
 10   REM EXAMPLE OF CASE STRUCTURE, YOU CAN HAVE AS MANY CONDITIONS
 20   REM AS YOU WANT. THERE MUST BE AT LEAST ONE.
 30   REM
 40       CASE
 50        : X=>0
 60           STATEMENT 1
 70           .   .   .
 80           STATEMENT N
 90        : X<>0
100           STATEMENT 1A
110           - - - - -
120           STATEMENT P
130        : X1<>2
140           STATEMENT
150           STATEMENT, LAST
160       END
```

LETTERS

Just received my May issue of MICRO today — it's getting better with every issue.

I have two 6502 systems, KIM and SYM. My KIM has an additional 28K of memory added to it, a homebrew CRT terminal, and a Selectric I/O typewriter used as output only. I used open collector TTL to interface my terminal with the KIM TTY port, but due to terminal problems, I was not able to get reliable communication until I cut the run from U15-11 to U26-10 as you described in MICRO 12:40. It does work.

I have Micro-Z's 9K + BASIC for the KIM. Bob Kurtz was very helpful in changing the data save/load routines to also include string data — I highly recommend his version. I have interfaced BASIC to the Selectric, so it is a pretty complete system.

My other system is a SYM-1 with 8K RAM and Synertek's BASIC in ROM. I use the same terminal to communicate with it as with the KIM. Their BASIC is almost the same as my KIM version, with the exclusion of the data save/load routines. Trig functions are not included but can be added with a routine that they have supplied. The trig routine occupies 313 bytes of RAM. It's handy to have BASIC in ROM but sure wish that I could change their character delete from an underline to an ASCII backspace!

I also received from Synertek an advance copy of their new monitor. The cassette problems I was having were greatly helped by it, but were not completely cleared up until I added reverse parallel diode pairs across my recorder's MIC IN and EAR lines to the SYM. I used Aud Out Hi to the recorder MIC IN with the diodes tied from Aud Out Hi to ground. The waveform generated by the SYM in HS format is non-symetrical. This caused a low frequency AC ripple to be generated by my recorder, probably due to capacitive coupling in the recorder's circuits. The diodes act as a clamp and eliminate this ripple which was quite severe for some data patterns. The cassette interface is rock-solid now.

I didn't get any listing of the new monitor, either, but the only monitor routines that I found relocated are those dealing with the cassette. I use the paper tape format to downline and upline load programs from a Honeywell L66 computer at work, and so have had the opportunity to test the changes there. They work as stated, as does the Break key on Verify. The latest info I have from Synertek says that the new monitor will be available on ROM in early July for $15.00.

```
? LIST
10   REM EXAMPLE OF CASE STRUCTURE, YOU CAN HAVE AS MANY CONDITIONS
20   REM AS YOU WANT. THERE MUST BE AT LEAST ONE.
30   REM
40   REM     CASE
50   IFX=>0THEN 60
51   GOTO 90
60          STATEMENT 1
70            . . .
80          STATEMENT N
89   GOTO 160
90   IFX<>0THEN 100
91   GOTO 130
100         STATEMENT 1A
110           - - - - -
120         STATEMENT P
129  GOTO 160
130  IFX1<>2THEN 140
131  GOTO 160
140         STATEMENT
150         STATEMENT, LAST
160  REM     END
? LIST
10   REM SMALL PROGRAM USING SOME OF THE STRUCTURES
20   REM
30   PRINT:PRINT
40   GOSUB &INPUT
50   REPEAT UNTIL NUM=0
60      CASE
70        ; NUM>50
80          PRINT"THE NUMBER IS MORE THAN 50"
90        ; NUM<=50ANDNUM>10
100         PRINT"THE NUMBER IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 50";
110         PRINT"AND GREATER THAN 10"
120       ; NUM>0ANDNUM<=10
130         PRINT"THE NUMBER IS GREATER THAN ZERO";
140         PRINT"AND LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 10"
150       ; NUM<0
160         PRINT"THE NUMBER IS NEGATIVE"
170     END
180     GOSUB &INPUT
190  END
200  STOP
210  REM
220  SUBROUTINE &INPUT
230    PRINT"TYPE IN A NUMBER, TYPE ZERO TO STOP";
240    INPUT NUM
250  RETURN

? BASIC

END OF PRE-PROCESSING

? LIST
10   REM SMALL PROGRAM USING SOME OF THE STRUCTURES
20   REM
30   PRINT:PRINT
40   GOSUB 220
50   REM REPEAT UNTIL NUM=0
60   REM     CASE
70   IFNUM>50THEN 80
71   GOTO 90
80          PRINT"THE NUMBER IS MORE THAN 50"
89   GOTO 170
90   IFNUM<=50ANDNUM>10THEN 100
91   GOTO 120
100         PRINT"THE NUMBER IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 50";
110         PRINT"AND GREATER THAN 10"
119  GOTO 170
120  IFNUM>0ANDNUM<=10THEN 130
121  GOTO 150
130         PRINT"THE NUMBER IS GREATER THAN ZERO";
140         PRINT"AND LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 10"
149  GOTO 170
150  IFNUM<0THEN 160
151  GOTO 170
160         PRINT"THE NUMBER IS NEGATIVE"
170  REM     END
180     GOSUB 220
190  IFNUM=0THEN 192
191  GOTO 50
192  REM
200  STOP
210  REM
220  REM SUBROUTINE &INPUT
230    PRINT"TYPE IN A NUMBER, TYPE ZERO TO STOP";
240    INPUT NUM
250  RETURN
```

No, that was not a typo error above. I do have 8K of RAM on my SYM. U1, the address decoder, fully decodes the first 8K of memory, with only 4K implementable using the sockets provided. I added a small "piggyback" or daughter board to the SYM that fits in the area of the logo and the "Synertek Systems Corp." label. DIP plugs from this board plug into the sockets on the SYM for U12 and U19. These two 2114s plus 8 more mount on the added board. Jumper wires connect from it to U1, pins 7, 9, 10, and 11. The design violates worst case design rules since, if all the chips are providing their worst case load to the data and address lines, the lines will be loaded to higher capacitance than the 6502 is guaranteed to drive. I have all the PROM and ROM sockets full, U28 (the extra 6522) installed, and have seen no degradation of the 6502 signals with several different supplier's 2114s installed. It just will not fail a memory test! None of other SYM owners to whom I have supplied boards have had any problems either. It sure is nice to have the full 8K available for BASIC!

I can't positively guarantee that it will work for everybody, but it sure is a simple and inexpensive way to get additional memory. The PC boards with plated thru holes, reflowed solder plating, and instructions are available from me at the address below for $5.00 each, plus SASE. If it doesn't work for someone, I'll refund their money provided the board is returned undamaged.

I highly recommend the assembler/text editor supplied by M. S. S., Inc., PO Box 2034, Marshall TX 75670 for $25.00. I have modified it to run on the SYM, and I am very pleased with it. I also have Tom Pittman's Tiny Basic modified for the SYM. One can write reasonable sized programs with either of these packages and still keep within the original 4K memory size since they both take up just over 2K each. However, 8K is sure a lot better!

I'll attempt to answer any letters regarding KIM/SYM if a SASE is enclosed. Thank you, and keep up the good work!

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Thanks to Jim Butterfield for *Inside Pet Basic* in MICRO 8:39. His FIND and RESEQUENCE programs were useful and informative, as were his remarks concerning how PET BASIC is built. I modified FIND to run on my Ohio Scientific "C2-8P" with the following changes.

OSI BASIC user programs start at location 0301 hex while PET's start at 0401. In line 9000, change A = 1025 to A = 769 and change X = PEEK(1029) to X = PEEK (773). In line 9005, change (1029 + L) to (773 + L).

While the program will list and run with these changes, it cannot be saved on cassette without modifying lines 9005 through 9007. This is necessary because OSI software limits the line length to 72 characters and line 9005, when listed, expands to 76 characters. To correct this, change lines 9005, 9006 and 9007 to:

```
9005 FOR L = 1 TO 80:Y = PEEK(773 + L)
9006 IF Y = 0 THEN ? *256PEEK(A + 3) + PEEK(A + 2);:RETURN
9007 IF Y = PEEK(K + L) THEN NEXT L
9008 RETURN
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To modify RESEQUENCE, we have to know what tokens OSI BASIC uses for keywords. In Jim's RESEQUENCE program, line 60220 searches for PET keywords GOTO (137), GOSUB (141) and THEN (167). For OSI BASIC change these to 136, 140 and 160 respectively. Change all occurences of V% to V and W% to W. Then change all undimensioned variables V to U and W to Z. Change the 1025 in line 60160 to 769.

Since OSI software looks at cassette input as if it were from the keyboard,

these programs can be loaded before or after the program of interest as long as there is no line number conflict.

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There appears to be a growing problem with APPLE Software. Some companies selling software for the APPLE are so, concerned with theft of their product, that they are resorting to self-modifying code and programs that modify certain key registers used by the APPLE monitor. This is supposed to prevent people from listing or copying the program.

This is a very short sighted position to take. The bad part of all this is the fact that any computer is difficult at best, and sometimes impossible, for the average home computer owner to operate. This particularly true with a new and un-familiar program.

One mistake on the part of the new user can turn a $20.00 to $500.00 disk-based

program into useless junk. Furthermore, the new user cannot store the program on another disk for backup or more convenient use.

We suggest you don't buy software that does any of the following:

1. Executes automatically after loading.

2. Modifies the screen memory while loading.

3. That you cannot load from disk, using the basic DOS commands.

4. That you cannot unlock using the basic DOS commands.

5. That you cannot list.

6. That you cannot change.

7. That have basic line numbers greater than 32000.

8. That you did not try in the computer store, before you bought it.

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If you have the occasion to publish readers opinions of hardware products, please add my recommendation of "The Net Works" brand serial interface adapter for the PET. It comes with excellent documentation both on the IEEE-488 interface of the PET and on the RS-232 as found on terminals and modems. It also includes sample programs to assist in learning to use the relevent portion of the PET operating system. Mine has worked flawlessly for some 6 months now; this letter was typed with it, using an AJ 841 for input/output.

Also, you might warn readers that Programma Consultants version of Forth for PETs requires 16K memory to operate, contrary to their advertisements last fall.

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Intercepting DOS Errors from Integer BASIC

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Implement true turnkey applications on the APPLE with this DOS error handling interface. Now Integer BASIC programs can trap errors from DOS, diagnose problems, and take remedial action with no intervention from the operator.

When a DOS error such as FILE NOT FOUND occurs during execution of a BASIC program, execution is suspended and an error message is printed. Unfortunately, this is often not what we want to happen. We would prefer for the program to be notified of the error and allowed to continue execution, dealing with the error in any fashion it desires.

This is fairly easy to achieve under AppleSoft because it includes an ONERR error intercepting facility. It is much harder to intercept errors from Integer BASIC; this article describes one method for doing so.

Unlike Integer BASIC, the DOS resides in normal RAM. This means that it can be patched to make it do almost anything we wish. It turns out that location 9D5A (for 48K systems) holds the address of the BASIC error-handling routine that DOS vectors to whenever an error arises. It usually contains E3E3, for Integer BASIC, and D865 for ROM AppleSoft. However, we can store our own address into 9D5A (5D5A for 32K systems) and thereby gain control whenever a DOS error occurs.

The following 24-byte, relocatable routine will intercept errors from BASIC. When a DOS error arises, it will store the error number at location 2; the line number of the statement that caused the error in locations 3 and 4; and, finally, it will transfer control to the BASIC statement whose line number is found in locations 0 and 1. Since the routine is relocatable, you can position it anywhere you wish. Location 300 appears to be a pretty good place, unless you are keeping your printer driver there.

To activate the error intercept facility, perform the following two POKEs which store the address of the intercept routine in $9D5A:

POKE -25254,0: POKE -25253,3

(for 48K systems) or

POKE 23898,0: POKE 23899,3

(for 32K systems)

The error intercept routine itself can be POKEd into page 3 or BLOADed off disk, whichever you prefer. If you locate it somewhere other than $300, make sure to alter the above POKEs accordingly.

After the routine is loaded into memory, it is very easy to use. If LINE is the line number of the statement where the error handling portion of your program begins, you should "POKE 0, LINE mod 256" and "POKE 1, LINE/256" to inform the interceptor where you want it to branch to. Your BASIC error-handler can figure out which statement caused the error by PEEKing at locations 3 and 4.

PEEK(3) + 256 * PEEK(4) is the line number. It can determine which type of DOS error occured by PEEKing at location $2. Table 1 gives the numbers for the various different classes of error.

Unfortunately, there is still one minor problem. Even though you regain control when a DOS error occurs, DOS still rings the bell and prints out an error message. One simple POKE will inhibit DOS from doing this but, since the POKE will supress all DOS error messages, including immediate execution errors, it is a little bit dangerous. Also, the POKE is different for different memory size systems and for different versions of DOS.

48K with DOS V3.1:	POKE -22978,20
48K with DOS V3.2:	POKE -22820,18
32K with DOS V3.1:	POKE 26174,20
32K with DOS V3.2:	POKE 26332,18

On all systems, you can restore error messages by POKEing 4 into the system-dependent address cited above.

The ability to capture DOS errors is very important, especially for turn-key systems where it is a disaster if a program crashes for any reason at all. Perhaps this little routine will allow more people to program in faster, more elegant Integer BASIC rather than choosing the AppleSoft language.

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0010: 3030              ORG   $300
0020: 3030 86 02        STX   $0002   SAVE ERROR NUMBER
0030: 3032 A0 01        LDYIM $0001
0040: 3034 B1 DC        LDAIY $00DC   GET LOW BYTE OF ERRING
0050: 3036 85 03        STA   $0003   LINE NUMBER AND SAVE AT $3
0060: 3038 C8           INY
0070: 3039 B1 DC        LDAIY $00DC   DITTO FOR HIGH BYTE
0080: 303B 85 04        STA   $0004
0090: 303D A5 00        LDA   $0000   GET LOW BYTE OF LINE NUMBER
0100: 303F 85 CE        STA   $00CE   OF ERROR HANDLING STATEMENT
0110: 3041 A5 01        LDA   $0001   DITTO FOR HIGH BYTE; SET
0120: 3043 85 CF        STA   $00CF   THINGS UP FOR BASIC AND
0130: 3045 4C 5E E8     JMP   $E85E   LET THE FIRMWARE TAKE OVER
```

Table I — Error Numbers and Messages

Number	Message
1	Language Not Available
2	Range Error
3	Range Error
4	Write Protection Error
5	End of Data Error
6	File Not Found Error
7	Volume Mismatch Error
8	Disk I/O Error
9	Disk Full Error
10	File Locked Error
11	Syntax Error
12	No Buffers Left Error
13	File Type Mismatch
14	Program Too Large Error
15	Not Direct Command

Note that these are error messages for DOS V3.2; the V3.1 messages are slightly different.

AIM Your Spouse toward Success

at the Supermarket

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This grocery list generator requires no programming. It will prove that your computer really is a useful gadget just one hour after you unpack it from shipment. Today the supermarket. And Tomorrow?

If she's like my wife Marie, she looks at you, sweating over software, with a tolerant smile. Nothing useful will come of it, but it keeps you off the street, and it's probably cheaper than a sailboat. If that's your picture, take note: here's a "program" that needs no home-built software, that you can get running the first time you fire up your AIM, that demonstrates most of the neat AIM features, and that several local computer-owner's wives agree provides a really useful function.

Well, only two that have actually tried it so far, but that's two out of two, and the rest all say it sounds good. Marie says it saves her time making her list, saves time in the store, and prevents her arriving back home and realizing she forgot the beer. It takes an hour to gather the data, and a half-hour to type it in. Then your wife sits down at the "console", runs it, and it works the first time. Here's how.

Gather the data. The next time she goes to the supermarket, go with her, armed with notebook and pencil. Ask her to take her usual route through the store and to point out, as she goes, any item she sometimes buys. Not just those she's buying today, but anything she ever buys. Note them down in order, with current prices if you have time. You can come back for prices later, if they prove useful. Ask her to be specific. Not to say just "canned vegetables", but to specify which canned vegetables she sometimes buys. Peas? Carrots? If she walks right by the beer without seeing it, put it on the list anyhow.

Type it in. Fire up your AIM and call the editor, with all of RAM for the buffer, and input from the keyboard (i.e. hit "E, SP, SP, SP"). Now type in your list, in the same order you gathered it, abbreviated to one item per line. My list is shown in Figure 1. It's a long list, and takes a little over 2K of RAM. If you only have 1K to work with, you may have to delete some items later, but try putting them all in. It's surprising how many lines 1K will hold.

Dump it to cassette. So you can load it next week. It's supposed to save time, remember.

Try it yourself before you demonstrate. Escape to the monitor and turn the printer off (ESC, CTRL PRINT OFF). Now pretend you're going grocery shopping. Hit "T", and there's your first line on the display. If you have a title at the top, use "D" to step down to the first

item. Need that this time? No? Hit "D", and there's the next item. Need that? Yes? Hit "'PRINT", and it goes on the list. Now "D" for the next item. Just step down the list with "D", and hit "PRINT" for any item you want on today's shopping list. If you change your mind after hitting "D", you can back up with "U".

When you finally get to "END", hit "LF" about six times, tear off the paper, and there's your list. All neatly typed, and in the order you'll find them in the store, and with the beer on there, by golly!

If you find some lines that need changes, feel free. You're in the editor, after all, and "C" is fun to use. But remember to dump the new version onto cassette before you sign off.

Call your wife. Before she sits down to it for the first time, be sure it's properly loaded, with printer off, and displaying Item One. You're trying to impress her, both with AIM and with your expertise, right? It detracts from the impression if you blow the first tape load and have to do it again, and then kick the plug out of the wall as you swing out of the chair.

After she sees the payoff, she may even agree that it's worth putting up with hassles like that!

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Boolean Equations Reduced on the PET

A deceptively small BASIC program trains the PET to perform computer aided logic design. It will reduce any single output process to a minimal, two level network.

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When a home experimenter tries to design a device, there are often one or two chips he doesn't have on hand. The builder might stop and order parts, then wait for delivery; but often this problem can be solved by falling back on basic gates and keeping some of these on hand for emergencies.

Reducing a truth table to an acceptable number of equations is often a tedious task. As an aid in this endeavor, I wrote a program to solve the Boolean equations using my PET computer. The program is based on the Quine-McCluskey method. It will reduce any sum of products to a minimum, two level network.

The general approach used in the program is to reduce the number of inputs using the equation

$$X'Y + XY = Y$$

And then reduce the number of terms using the equation

$$XY + V'Z + YZ = XY + XZ$$

This program works only for multiple inputs producing a single output, but it can be a powerfull aid in multiple output networks too.

The output of a network can be defined as all of the inputs for which a "1" is wanted. In addition, there may be some conditions where you don't care what the output is because that input condition will never be present. For this program, the "don't cares" are assigned in such a way as to reduce the number of inputs to required terms, but they are not considered when choosing the terms necessary for the output.

This routine is written in modules. An explanation of the function of each module will aid in translating the program into other languages. Important facts about PET BASIC are: if there are multiple statements on the same line after an IF THEN combination, none will execute when the condition is false. All variables are zero unless otherwise set, and a zero subscript is permitted in arrays.

The code with line numbers 0-99 performs general set up. Important global variables are: A$ — an array of required and don't care terms, B$ — an array of only required terms, A — an array of flags for A$, Q — an array of flags for B$, B — the number of required terms (-1), N and N2 — the number of terms in A$, and L — the number of input variables for each term.

The module 100-399 is for the data input. For this input scheme the user types in the input combinations for which a 1 output is desired. These can be either strings of zeroes and ones or upper and lower case letters. If there are don't cares present, the user enters "X" and follows with the don't care terms. The last input is followed by "END".

If the user wants to create a different input, such as from a tape or a truth table, the important results are: B$ should contain terms which have a "1" output, where the first entry is B$(0). B should equal the highest index of B$, A$(0-N) contains all the terms of B$ plus any don't care terms. N and N2 both equal the highest index of A$. Arrays A and Q should both equal zero for all entries, and L should equal the number of input variables.

Module 400-449 is where the literals are reduced from the terms. Each term is compared to every other term and, if they differ by only one variable, the

```
500 REM -COMPARE DIFFERENCES IN TERMS-
505 N$=""
510 D=0
515 FORM=1TOL
520 C$=CHR$(FNA(I))
525 IF FNA(I)=FNA(J) THEN 535
530 D=D+1:C$="-"
535 N$=N$+C$
540 NEXT M
545 RETURN
550 REM -ADD TERM TO LIST-
553 IFN2=N THEN 595
555 FOR X=0 TO N2
560 IF N$=A$(X) THEN RETURN
565 NEXT X
570 IF I=0 THEN 595
575 FOR X=0 TO I-1
580 IF A(X)=0 THEN 590
585 A(X)=0:A$(X)=N$:RETURN
590 NEXT X
595 N2=N2+1:A(N2)=0:A$(N2)=N$:RETURN
600 REM -REMOVE REDUCED TERMS FROM LIST-
605 I=0:J=N2
610 IF A(I)=0 AND I=<J THEN I=I+1:GOTO 610
615 IF A(J)=1 AND I=<J THEN J=J-1:GOTO 615
620 IF I>J THEN 635
625 A$(I)=A$(J):A(I)=0:I=I+1:J=J-1
630 GOTO610
635 N=J:N2=J
645 RETURN
650 REM -COUNT DIFFERENCE IN TERMS (DISREGAURD DON'T CARES)-
655 D=0
660 FORM=1TOL
665 IF FNB(I)=FNA(J) THEN 680
670 IF FNA(J)=45      THEN 680
675 D=D+1
680 NEXT M
685 RETURN

READY.
```

variable is replaced by a don't care (–). The new term is added to the list, and the two combined terms are marked for later removal. The process continues until the program loops through the entire list without further reductions.

In module 450-499, the reduced terms in A$ are matched against the original terms in B$. Each required term is matched with the most-reduced term that covers it.

Module 500-549 is used to compare different terms in A$. I and J are the index values of the terms. The routine returns the number of variable differences in D. N$ is the reduced expression and is only valid if D = 1.

In lines 550-599, a term N$ is added to A$ outside the range of the present loop. It is designed to conserve memory. No term will be added which is already in the list. The process usually generates duplicate terms, and it will place the new terms at the front of the list if those terms are marked for removal by A(I) = 1.

Module 600-649 removes all terms which were reduced but did not get removed in lines 550-599. It resets N and N2 to point to the end of the new list. The module from 650-699 compares terms in B$ to A$. I is the index of the B$ term and J indexes A$. In this routine, a comparison of any single variable in B$ is considered a match with A$ if the variables are equal or if the corresponding varialbe in A$(J) is a don't care, ASCII 45. The difference is returned in D.

Module 700-799 finds the most restricted term in B$. The key to arriving at the minimum solution, as opposed to just a valid solution, is to find each required term with only one reduced term to satisfy it, an essential term. If all of them have more than one possible term, we select the term in B$ which could be satisfied by the least usefull term from A$.

This is so that bad matches can be avoided early and, in the case of cyclic expressions which have several equivalent but different solutions, so that evaluation will not introduce redundant terms.

In lines 800-899, the reduced terms are sorted to bring the terms that satisfy the most conditions to the beginning of the list. This insures that the best choice will be found first.

The last module, at lines 900-999, locates the minimum number of reduced terms which satisfy the problem. The most restricted B$ term is paired with its best match in A$, and all other terms in B$ which are also satisfied are removed from further consideration.

If the flag W is set to one, it means more than one solution exits for this problem.

A	B	C	D
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0
1	1	1	1

V	W	X	Y	Z
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1

Table 1: Four-bit Binary to 5-bit BDC Conversion Map

Usually the other solutions can be found by entering the terms in a different order. Sometimes, when there is more than one solution, the most economical solution will not be the first one found. This problem could be cured by generating all of the multiple solutions, but that would require more than the 8K of memory I had available.

The result might be further reduced by going to a three level solution. This again requires more than 8K, but it would be reasonable to feed intermediate results into a second program to obtain a completely reduced result.

The idea is to look for pairs of terms, each with a variable that matches with a don't care variable in the other term, and matching in all other variables. The matching terms can be combined by ANDing with the non-matching terms, making an OR at the next level. Terms that match in some variables but not in others can be combined in a next level of the matching gates with the differing variables in the lower level.

Figure 1

Figure 2

making an OR at the next level. Terms that match in some variables but not in others can be combined in a next level of the matching gates with the differing variables in the lower level.

I have not yet been able to determine whether my method will result in the minimal equation. As of now, no technique for this problem is known. The following example will illustrate the entire process.

The problem is to convert a 4 bit number into BCD (5 bits). The truth table for this conversion is shown in Table 1. We begin by entering the inputs for which we want output V to be true (1). The sequence is:

```
? 1010
? 1011
? 1100
? 1101
? 1110
? 1111
? END
```

and the computer replies, after a short delay, with:

```
1 – 1 –
11 – –
```

This signifies that the minimum two level solution for V is AC + AB. The process is repeated for the rest of the outputs giving results of:

```
700 REM -PUT MOST RESTICTED TERM AT BEGINNING OF LIST
705 FORI=0TOB
710 Q(I)=0:T=B
715 FORJ=0TON2
720 GOSUB 650
725 IF D=0 THEN Q(I)=Q(I)+1:IFA(J)<T THEN T=A(J)
730 NEXT J :Q(I)=Q(I)+T/10000: NEXT I
735 IF B=0 THEN 755
740 FOR I=1TOB
745 IFQ(I)<Q(0)THENN$=B$(I):B$(I)=B$(0):B$(0)=N$:X=Q(I):Q(I)=Q(0):Q(0)=X
750 NEXT I
755 RETURN
800 REM -PUT REDUCED TERMS WHICH COVER THE MOST AT THE FRONT OF THE LIST-
805 FORJ=0TON2
810 A(J)=0
815 FORI=0TOB
820 GOSUB 650
825 IF D=0 THEN A(J)=A(J)+1
830 NEXT I : NEXT J
835 FOR I=0TON2-1
840 FOR J=I+1 TO N2
845 IF A(I)>A(J) THEN 860
850 N$=A$(I):A$(I)=A$(J):A$(J)=N$
855 X=A(I):A(I)=A(J):A(J)=X
860 NEXT J : NEXT I
865 RETURN
900 REM-FIND ESSENTIAL TERM AND ELIMINATE ALL ORIGINAL TERMS THAT IT COVERS
905 GOSUB 800:GOSUB 700:I=0:J=0
910 GOSUB 650
915 IF D>0 THEN J=J+1:GOTO 910
920 IF Q(0)>=2THEN W=1
925 GOSUB 975
930 GOTO 950
935 GOSUB 650
940 IF D>0 THEN I=I+1
945 IF D=0 THEN GOSUB 975
950 IF I<=B THEN 935
955 N$=A$(J):A$(J)=A$(N2):A$(N2)=N$:N2=N2-1
960 RETURN
975 N$=B$(I):B$(I)=B$(B):B$(B)=N$:B=B-1:RETURN
```

$$W = 100 - \qquad A\,B'\,C'$$
$$X = 01--,-11- \qquad A'B + BC$$
$$Y = 110-,0-1- \qquad ABC' + A'C$$
$$Z = ---1 \qquad D$$

The next step is to input the values for output which have a reasonable number of identical terms. For example, V and X have inputs of 1110 and 1111 in common. To see if sharing a gate will reduce the equations, we enter V again with those terms as don't cares. The input sequence is:

```
? 1010
? 1011
? 1100
? 1101
? X
? 1110
? 1111
? END
```

The output is the same as before; therefore, no gates are saved by combining these terms. When the same thing is tried with V and Y we get a shared equation of 110 – (which is already a term of Y) and re-entering V with 1100 and 1101 as don't cares gives an output of $1-1-$ which indicates that we can save a gate by using $V = AC + ABC'$.

Further testing shows no more gates can be saved by this method, so the next step is to try to increase the levels. X is the only output which has terms that differ only at don't cares. $01-$ and $-11-$ can combine to $(0)1(1)-$, or B $(A+C)$.

This leads directly to the circuit of Figure 1. Duplicates or unnecessary gates are shown by dashed lines. A network of alternating OR - AND gates can be converted directly to a NAND - NAND network by inverting the literals on odd levels, with the level nearest the output as one. This brings us directly to Figure 2.

There is still one problem. There are two gates which have three inputs and I only keep two-input NAND gates and inverters as spares. A three-input NAND can be replaced by 2 two-input NANDS and an inverter (A NAND B NAND C) = ((A NAND B) NAND C). Looking at the two offending gates, we see that they share A NANDC' in their equations, so we can share a gate.

The final circuit is shown in Figure 3. It can be realized with two quad NANDs and one hex inverter. This process could have been performed by entering the terms for which a zero value was desired (and don't cares) resulting in a network of NOR gates. Basic gates nearly always take more wiring in a circuit, but when purchased in quantity they are cheap, and they can make the difference between finishing a project today or just waiting for parts.

```
5 REM BOOLEAN EQUATION REDUCER
10 REM ALAN K. CHRISTENSEN
15 REM AUSTIN,TEXAS 4-14-79
20 DIM A$(250),A(250)
25 DEFFNA(I)=ASC(MID$(A$(I),M,1))
30 DEFFNB(I)=ASC(MID$(B$(I),M,1))
35 POKE 59468,14
100 REM -DATA INPUT-
105 B=-1:N=-1:N2=-1:I=0:J=0
110 INPUT N$
115 IF N$="X" THEN B=N2:GOTO 110
120 IF N$="END" THEN 130
125 GOSUB 550:GOTO 110
130 IF B<0 THEN B=N2
135 DIM B$(B),Q(B)
140 FOR I=0TOB:B$(I)=A$(I):NEXT I
145 L=LEN(A$(0)):N=N2
400 REM -REDUCE TO MINIMUM LITERALS-
405 L2=0:N2=N
410 FOR I=0TON-1
415 FOR J=I+1 TO N
420 GOSUB 500
425 IF D=1 THEN A(I)=1:A(J)=1:L2=1:GOSUB 550
430 NEXT J
435 NEXT I
440 GOSUB 600
445 IF L2<>0 THEN 400
450 REM -ELIMINATE REDUNDANT TERMS-
455 N3=N2
460 GOSUB 900
465 PRINTN$
470 IF B>=0 THEN 450
475 IF W=1THEN PRINT"MULTIPLE SOLUTIONS"
480 STOP
```

READY.

Figure 3

Screen Dump to Printer for the APPLE II

No need to print yards of listing when you want only
one or two screenfulls of data. Print only the display
segments you select with this versatile BASIC language
output routine.

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In certain programs it is often desirable to be able to print a screenfull of information on your printer after you have reviewed it on the screen. Long lists of data could be reviewed, one screenfull at a time, and only those pages that were needed would be printed.

The following short routine is a BASIC version of a machine language printer driver. Its advantages are that it will work with the Apple Parallel Printer Interface Card and any printer, without the need to re-write the printer driver. Also, since it is written in BASIC, it is easy to understand and to modify.

The first step required is to put a short machine language routine into memory. Lines 90 to 130 of the sample program POKE a routine into the free memory area starting at location $300. For systems using Apple DOS, it is important that you perform this step after DOS is booted, because this area of memory is clobbered during boot. This routine will make a character available to the character output routine in the monitor, $FDED, which will in turn pass it to the appropriate printer driver.

The second step is to add the screen printer subroutine to your BASIC program. This subroutine is shown in lines 500 to 610 of the sample program. Starting at the "home" position on the screen, this subroutine passes each character in screen memory (page 1) to the printer card, via the COUT routine in the monitor.

The POKE in line 560 passes the character to the machine language routine at $300. Although it may seem like a lot of "passing", this method allowes the use of a conventional PR#X command from BASIC to specify which slot is to receive the output. Other commands of note are those in lines 520 and 590. The first tells the parallel printer interface to print only on the printer, and not on the screen. The second returns output to both the printer and the screen.

The third step in implementing the screen printer is to add an INPUT statement to your program which asks the user if the screen is to be printed. This is found in line 250. Also note the POKE 34, 23 in line 240. This command sets the top of the scrolling window to line number 23, the bottom line of the screen, thus insuring that the prompt itself does not get printed.

The sample program listed is a demonstration program designed to show the screen printer in use. The routines in it can be adapted to any BASIC program with little dificulty. One thing to keep in mind, though, is that flashing or inverse characters may print out in various different ways, depending on the printer.

If you want to include flashing or inverse characters on the screen, the addition, noted in lines 552 to 560, listed after the demonstration program, should be included. These lines test for and "normalize" blinking or inverse characters so they will appear normally on the printer. However, using this modification will slow down the screen printer routine considerably. Its BASIC implementation is pretty slow to begin with. Replacing all constants with variables will make either version much faster.

See AppleSoft II BASIC Programming Reference Manual, Appendix E, for more on this. If you are using Apple DOS, remember to replace all PR#X commands with print control D; "PR#X" to keep DOS from being turned off. Finally, if you are using Integer BASIC, please note that you will have to modify the logic structure found in line 554. For a complete map of how the various characters are stored in screen memory, see "An Apple II Page 1 Map" by M.R. Connolly Jr., MICRO 8:41. Happy screen printing!

```
JLIST
0   REM   DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM
10   REM   SCREEN PRINTER ROUTINE
20   REM   FOR APPLE II APPLESOFT B
     ASIC
30  :
40   REM   DEFINE VARIABLES
50  SLOT = 1
60  OFFSCREEN$ = "": REM  "(CTRL)I4
     ON"
70  RETSCREEN$ = "                  ":
        REM  "(CTRL)II"
80  :
90   REM   PUT MACHINE LANGUAGE ROUT
     INE INTO MEMORY
100   FOR N = 768 TO 774
110   READ X: POKE N, X
120   NEXT
130   DATA  173,11,3,32,237,253,96
140  :
150   REM   FILL SCREEN FOR DEMONSTR
     ATION
160   FOR X = 1 TO 3
170   HOME : READ TXT$
180   FOR Y = 1 TO 22
190   FOR Z = 1 TO 6
200   PRINT TXT$;
210   NEXT Z
220   PRINT "": REM  NULL STRING
230   NEXT Y
240   POKE 34,23
250   PRINT : INPUT "PRINT SCREEN?
     (Y/N) "; ANS$
260  : IF ANS$ = "Y" THEN  GOSUB 50
     0
270   POKE 34,0
280   NEXT X
290   DATA  " MICRO"," APPLE"," 650
     2 "
300   END
400  :
450  :
500   REM   SCREEN PRINTER SUBROUTIN
     E
510   PR# SLOT
520   PRINT OFFSCREEN$
530   FOR A = 0 TO 80 STEP 40
540   FOR B = 0 TO 7
550   FOR C = 1024 + A TO 1063 + A
560   POKE 779, PEEK (C + B * 128)
570   CALL 768
580   NEXT : NEXT : NEXT
590   PRINT RETSCREEN$
600   PR# 0
610   RETURN
PR#0
JLIST 552,560
552  CHAR = PEEK (C + B * 128)
554   IF CHAR < 192 THEN CHAR = CH
     AR + 64: GOTO 554
556   IF CHAR = 224 THEN CHAR = 16
     0
560   POKE 779, PEEK (C + B * 128)
```

OSI Memory Test in BASIC

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All memory tests are not alike. This one features an extensible, BASIC language implementation.

Have you experienced the complete failure of your favorite program lately? Have you reloaded it into the machine only to have it bomb over and over again? Well, I have, and many times! This could be caused by a bug in the program, but if the program has run before and now bombs there must be something wrong in the hardware. This usually means that there is a reclusive bug hidden somewhere in those many K's of RAM.

How do you find this reclusive bug? If you have a machine code monitor and loader, you could load the memory and step through the program checking for errors. You might also load a diagnostic program to test the memory. "OK" you say, "but I don't have a machine code monitor. My machine has only BASIC in ROM. What do I do to check for these

bugs in my machine? I have no means to get at these bugs in my machine with this BASIC only!"

Well take heart, all is not lost. I have had this same experience. Felt the same wrath, of the same bug in those many K's of RAM, that you are feeling now! From this experience I made a decision. I decided to prevent this from doing me in over and over again. My solution to the bug-in-memory caper was to write a diagnostic program, in BASIC, to check the memory of the BASIC-in-ROM only machine.

The program that I have written will load memory with an inital value stored in the D variable, between the address limits P1 and P2. The program increments the D variable from its initial value to 255 decimal. This represents

all combinations of bits that can be stored in a memory location. After the bits are stored, the program compares the data bits in memory to the initial value that was stored there and, if they are not the same, a report will be printed out to the terminal.

I have written the program to request page numbers for the starting and ending addresses. This could be changed to use decimal equivalents if the reader wishes. The starting address is contained in variable P1 at line 700. The ending address is contained in P2 at line 710. The contents of both variables are multiplied by 256 to obtain the decimal equivalent of the page numbers. Line 720 is the inital value of the data and is usually set to 0.

At line 750 the program is told to load the limits of memory between P1 and P2 via a FOR-NEXT loop. At line 760 the data bits are POKEd into memory. Line 785 looks at the data in the memory location that was previously stored. At line 790 I compare the data stored in memory against the data in variable D to see if the two are equal. The next byte is loaded and compared at line 800.

Line 825 increments the data value in the D variable. Line 830 checks the D variable to see if 255 decimal has been reached and, if not, executes a return loop through the program. Line 840 reports the results of the memory test.

This program was written in MicroSoft BASIC for the OSI Challenger. It should run under other BASICs with minor modifications. The program will be of interest to users of machines with BASIC in ROM and others who want a simple way to test memory. The program is some what slow, but this a very small price to pay for the ease of operation. Good luck and good memory testing.

```
650 REM MEMORY TEST  BY W.L. TAYLOR 1/2/79
660 PRINT " ******MEMORY TEST****** ":PRINT
665 PRINT " ENTER STARTING PAGE AND ENDING PAGE":PRINT
700 INPUT " STARTING PAGE ";P1
710 INPUT " ENDING PAGE    ";P2
720 D=0
730 LET A=P1*256
740 LET B=P2*256
750 FOR C= A TO B
760 POKE C,D
770 E=PEEK (C)
780 IF E<>D THEN PRINT " BAD DATA BYTE AT";C
790 IF E<>D THEN END
800 NEXT C
810 D=D+1
820 IF D<256 THEN 750
830 IF D=256 THEN PRINT " TEST COMPLETE WITH NO BAD DATA BITS
    DETECTED":PRINT
840 END
```

SYM and AIM Memory Expansion

An easy hardware modification addresses extended memory in contiguous 8K blocks with no gaps. This neat enhancement makes Memory Plus a natural for RAMming more data into the SYM and AIM.

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In an attempt to implement BASIC on the SYM it became apparent that the 4K of onboard RAM was insufficient for our needs. Although we have several Memory Plus boards around, the RAM on these boards is addressable in 8K byte blocks decoded at 8K boundaries, beginning at location 2000. Unfortunately, this decoding scheme leaves a 4K block of memory unimplemented. That block of memory is from address 1000 through 1FFF.

In order to overcome this shortcoming, it is desirable to decode the Memory Plus board in 8K blocks that are addressable at 4K boundaries; that is, at locations 1000, 3000, 5000, etc. With this scheme several MP boards could be added on to expand the SYM memory in a continuous fashion. There are methods available for making this change, but most of these require changes on the MP board itself. This is undesirable, especially if servicing becomes a problem.

The solution lies in replacing the three high order address line decoding schemes with one that will address memory at 4K boundaries. This can be accomplished by bringing addresses A12, A13, and A14 into the inputs of the 74LS138, as opposed to the present A13, A14, and A15. With this change any position of the rotary switch which selects the RAM decoding address enables the RAM at 4K boundaries, and also only in 4K blocks.

If we were to OR two adjacent outputs together, we would have 4K boundaries with 8K blocks. However, because the outputs of a 74LS138 are totem-pole, ORing them must be done with additional gating and not simply by tying the outputs together, as is done with open-collector outputs.

One method of doing this is by replacing the '138 with a 74LS145 BCD-to-decimal decoder driver. This device has open collector outputs enabling them to be wire OR'ed together. However, the pin out on the '145 is radically different from that on the '138.

The way to get around this is to mount the '145 in a 16 pin dip socket which is in

Remove the 74LS138 from socket U4 on the MP board and replace it with the above assembly

Figure 2

turn connected to a 16 pin dip header. However, rather than matching the pins number for number, the connection diagram in Figure 1 is followed. This is most easily accomplished by using a three level wire-wrap socket and cutting short all the pins except 8 and 16. These shortened pins are then wired to the correct position on the header by soldering jumpers on. This causes the pin out connections to be changed and thus allows the '145 to operate in the socket which was previously loaded with the '138.

The 16 pin dip header is then loaded into the MP board into socket U4 as shown in Figure 2. The '145 has the advantage of having four address input lines. Thus address lines A12, A13, A14, and A15 are brought into it and fully decoded. Since address line A12 is not brought to socket U4, it must be separately wired. A convenient place to make this connection is on the MP expansion connector pin #E-R.

With these changes, the RAM select rotary switch now selects hex locations 1000-2FFF at the first two positions. At the second two positions RAM is selected at 3000-4FFF. In the third two positions RAM is selected at locations 5000-6FFF. RAM will not be selected with the selector switch in the seventh position.

With the switch in the first or second position, BASIC on the SYM can be implemented with 12K memory; the 4K onboard, plus the 8K from the MP. The addition of another MP board set up the same way with the RAM selection switch in either position 3 or 4 would yield a system with 20K of continuous memory.

Solder to pin #E-R on the
Memory Plus Expansion Connector

Figure 1

6502 Based SYSTEMS

The **COMPUTERIST** offers the best in the single-board, 6502-based microcomputers. These include the Rockwell **AIM-65**, Synertek Systems **SYM-1**, Commodore **KIM-1**, and, late this fall, The COMPUTERIST **MICRO PLUS**. As you will see from this catalog,, The COMPUTERIST is devoted to supporting this class of 6502 systems. Think of us first - for all of your 6502 needs: Systems, Expansion, Power, Software, and other items.

The **AIM 65** is a complete microcomputer system, not just a single board computer. It has many of the features of the KIM-1 and SYM-1, but also has three alphanumeric type devices which make it significantly different:

Full size typewriter style keyboard - makes it easy to enter data.

Twenty character LED display with sixteen segment displays for good looking, easy-to-read alphabetic and numeric characters.

Twenty column thermal printer for alphanumeric hardcopy.

Other features include:

An **8K ROM Monitor** with a **mini-assembler/disassembler, editor,** numerous operator functions and many important subroutines for program development.

Comes with 1K RAM expandable on-board to 4K.

Has provision for an additional **12K of ROM** including a **4K Assembler** and an **8K BASIC.**

The expansion and application pin-outs are compatible with the KIM and SYM, making it simple to interface to existing devices.

Supports KIM format cassette tapes at 1 and 3 times normal speed, plus its own high speed cassette I/O. Includes two complete cassette ports with remote control facilities.

AIM 65 by Rockwell International
The Complete 6502 System
20 Column Thermal Printer
20 Character LED Display
High Speed Audio Cassette
Up to 4K RAM on board
Full size Typewriter style Keyboard
Up to 12K additional ROM
Versatile 8K ROM Monitor

AIM 65: $375.00 1K RAM - $420.00 4K RAM

SYM-1 by Synertek Systems
An Expandable 6502 System

High Speed Audio Cassette I/O

4K SYM Monitor in ROM

Up to 4K RAM on board

Up to 12K additional ROM

Over 50 I/O line capability

SYM-1: $270.00 1K RAM - 315.00 4K RAM

The **SYM-1** is a relatively new entry into the 6502 market by Synertek Systems. The board is the same size and shape as the KIM-1 and uses the same connector placement and pin-outs, thereby maintaining a fair degree of compatibility with the KIM-1. Its main advantages are:

It comes with **1K of user RAM**, and is expandable on-board to **4K RAM.**

A **larger Monitor - 4K** vs the KIM 2K - with a number of useful functions.

It has room on-board for **an additional 12K ROM.** This ROM may be programs and data defined by the user or Synertek supplied programs such as an Assembler or BASIC.

It has much more **I/O capability** than the KIM-1 and improved timers.

It has KIM compatible tape format as well as a **higher speed tape format.**

Like the KIM, it supports a teletype terminal, but it also supports more sophisticated terminal interfaces.

The touch-pad type of entry keypad is more reliable than the type used on the KIM.

If you need the added features of the SYM-1, especially the extra RAM and ROM provision, then this is a best buy. It currently has limited supporting software, being new to the market, but this should not be a long term problem.

The **KIM-1** is the grand-daddy of all 6502 based microcomputer systems. It was orignally created by MOS Technology, the inventors of the 6502, as a way to demonstrate the power of the 6502 to the industrial community. To their surprise, the KIM-1 became a highly successful single board computer - used in industrial control, education, hobby, and many other applications. It is still very popular today. Features of the KIM-1 are:

Based on the 6502 microprocessor with its powerful instruction set.

Two 6530 multi-purpose chips each containing 1K ROM, 64 bytes RAM, a programmable timer and 15 I/O lines.

1K bytes of RAM, a Hex Keypad for entering programs and data, and a six character **LED display.**

It supports a **20mA Current Loop TTY** and **Audio Cassettes** for program/data storage. The very low price makes this an excellent buy - and the expansion bus structure is compatible with the AIM 65 and SYM-1 so that conversion to one of these other systems can be made with minimal hardware difficulty. There exists a large body of literature and many "ready-to-run" programs for the KIM-1.

KIM-1 by Commodore
The Original 6502 System

20 mA Current Loop TTY Interface

Audio Cassette Interface

15 User I/O lines

2 Interval Timers

1K + RAM

2K KIM Monitor ROM

Hex Keypad/LED Display

KIM-1: $180.00

MICRO PLUS tm

The Super 6502 Single Board Computer

Features:

FLOPPY DISK CONTROLLER

Up to 16K PROM/EPROM on-board

KIM Compatible CASSETTE I/O

20MA Current Loop TTY Interface

Lots of 6522 type I/O

Up to 16K RAM on-board

Planned for Late 1979

MICRO PLUS tm is currently in the advanced design stages.

It will be a single board microcomputer featuring:

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Floppy Disk Controller for Mini and Regular Floppy Disks

Cassette I/O including KIM compatability

20 MA Current Loop TTY Interface

Up to **16K RAM** on-board

Up to **16K ROM/EPROM** on-board

Several **6522 VIAs**

Same **SIZE** and **SHAPE** and **PIN-OUTS** as KIM-1/SYM-1

Plus a couple of proprietary features to be announced later. Scheduled for initial delivery late 1979. Please **do not** call or write for additional info until September 1979.

SYSTEM EXPANSION

The COMPUTERIST makes it easy for you to expand your KIM-1, SYM-1 or AIM 65 based system. Four boards are offered to: increase the memory of your system, add full feature video to your system, provide a means to add your own circuits, and a means to get all of these added features working together. The design of these boards makes it possible for you to choose one vendor for all your normal system expansion requirements. The four boards are designed to work together and fit together in a system configuration which makes sense. The PLUS on each board represents added features that are not found on similar boards offered by other manufacturers - PLUSES that often dramatically enhance the capabilities of your basic system.

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8K STATIC RAM LOW POWER

Sockets for 8K Eprom

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MEMORY PLUS: $200 00   FULLY ASSEMBLED AND TESTED

EXPAND YOUR SYSTEM WITH MEMORY PLUS™

MEMORY PLUS combines four of the most important system expansion capabilities on one PC board. This board uses the **standard KIM-4 Expansion Bus** and is the same size/shape as the KIM-1/SYM-1 so it can be conveniently placed under any AIM/SYM/KIM system. The four functions are:

8K RAM - with low power 2102 static RAM - the most important addition for most systems.

8K EPROM - sockets and address decoding for up to 8K of Intel 2716 type EPROM.

EPROM Programmer - program your EPROMS on the board! I/O - 6522 Versatile Interface provides two 8 bit I/O ports, two multi-mode timers, and a serial/parallel shift register.

Other features of Memory Plus include:

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Independent switch selection of the RAM and ROM starting addresses.

All IC's socketed for easy field replacement.

Fully assembled and burned in - ready to plug in and go.

Documentation includes a 60+ page manual with schematics, program listings, 2716 and 6522 data sheets, and a cassette tape with an EPROM Programming Program and a Memory Test.

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May be directly connected to your system with our cable or through our MOTHER PLUS™ board.

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May be used with an inexpensive TV set or an expensive monitor.

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A Keyboard Interface which will work with any "reasonable" keyboard.

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Provision for a 2K EPROM or ROM for video control or other software.

All of the memory - 6K RAM and 2K EPROM can be used as system memory whenever it is not in use as display or programmable character generator.

VIDEO PLUS may be used directly as an expansion of an AIM/SYM/KIM system, or has provision for the addition of a 6502 for use as a Stand-Alone system or Terminal!

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INPUT: 115V/60Hz

OUTPUTS: Regulated + 5V at 1.4A
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Unregulated + 8V up to 4.3A
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Will Power a KIM-1/SYM-1 and one Additional Board
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POWER PLUS: $40⁰⁰

We offered the first power supply built specifically for the KIM-1 and since May 1977 have delivered over a thousand units. This unit - POWER PLUS - is a simple model. It does not even have an On/Off switch or Pilot Light, but does provide the power for a KIM-1 or SYM-1 with enough to spare for an additional MEMORY PLUS or VIDEO PLUS board. For the small home system, the electronics lab, the class room, etc., where the system is not going to be greatly expanded, this is an ideal unit, and is priced very low.

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Enough Power for the AIM 65 Fully Loaded

Plus an Additional Board

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Grounded Three-Wire Power Cord

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SPECIFICATIONS:
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Has VU Meter for recording level, and has three recording modes: Automatic Record Level, Limiter or Manual. Has Tape Speed Control - Adjusts ± 20%. This is especially useful when using tapes recorded on other recorders.

Tape Counter - 000 to 999.

Electronics remain ON when recording is being held OFF in Route.

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CASSETTE C-190

SUPERSCOPE C-190 by Marantz

A High Quality Cassette Recorder with all of the Features Required for Microcomputer Systems:

VU Meter Displays Recording Level

110V AC or 6#VDC or Battery Operation

Tape Location Counter

Three Recording Methods

Variable Speed Control: ± 20%

Remote Control Leaves Electronics ON

SUPERSCOPE C-190: $90⁰⁰

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To make any microcomputer system useful, you need software. The COMPUTERIST has software packages available for three systems. Each of these packages come with full User/Operator Instructions, a Cassette Tape, and, with the exception of MICRO-ADE, a complete set of Source Listings so that you can more fully understand, utilize, and modify the software.

PLEASEtm is a collection of games and demonstrations. It contains a dozen programs such as a 24 Hour Clock, a High/Low number guessing game, "Shooting Stars", a Drunk Test, an Adding Machine, and so forth. PLEASE is written in a "high level language" which permits the user to make simple modifications and create his own demonstrations. It will run on an unexpanded KIM-1, or on a SYM or AIM with 2K RAM.   **$10.00**

MICROCHESStm is the original chess player for small systems. While it does have some limitations, it does play a reasonably good game of chess. It includes a number of "canned" openings and makes a good tutor for a beginner or a brush-up challenger for the more advanced player. Includes three levels of difficulty. It will run on an unexpanded KIM-1, or on a SYM or AIM with 2K RAM.   **$15.00**

HELPtm **Mailing List** is a complete package for the maintenance and printing of mailing lists. It includes an Editor for entering and updating the mailing lists; a List Printer which outputs a single tabular format line per entry for analysis and updating; and a Label Printer which outputs to mailing labels. The List and Label functions include the capability of abstracting subsets of the total mailing list and of adding an extra line of information - such as "Subscription Expired" - to a subset of the mailing list. It requires program control of two cassettes and some form of printing terminal. It will run on an unexpanded KIM-1, or on a SYM or AIM with 2K RAM.   **$10.00**

Bits and Bytes

While The COMPUTERIST does not, in general, sell IC's and other small pieces of hardware, there are a few useful devices which we use in large quantity in our own products and which we can offer at good prices to our customers.

2114 Low Power Static RAM (1K by 4 bits)	2 for $15.00 (1K bytes)
Used to expand SYM, AIM, or VIDEO PLUS	
2102 Low Power Static RAM (1K by 1 bit)	8 for $10.00 (1K bytes)
Type used in KIM-1 and MEMORY PLUS	
6522 VIA Versatile Interface Adapter	$7.50
Used in SYM, AIM, MEMORY PLUS and VIDEO PLUS	
Dual 22/44 Pin Connectors - Solder Tail or Solder Eyelet	
Three required for MEMORY PLUS or VIDEO PLUS	$2.00 each
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The First Book of KIM — on a SYM

Programs presented in The First Book of KIM can be modified to run on a SYM. What's more, the techniques presented here will aid in the conversion of other KIM software.

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Anyone who purchased "The First Book of KIM" with the expectation of easily modifying the programs to run on their SYM quickly found that the KIM and SYM might be hardware compatable, but the monitors are a lot different. The SYM manual has a list of SYM counterparts to the KIM routines. It also makes the disclaimer that "the routines do not perform identically." This is an over simplification! Some of the SYM routines are really only distant cousins to their KIM counterparts. The routines listed in the SYM manual are not close enough to the KIM routines to be easily substituted for the KIM entry points used in the book.

The first couple of programs I converted the hard way, with lots of relocating and some logic changes. I finally got smart and took the time to write these routines using simple address substitutions. These routines are obviously not identical to the KIM versions they replace, and definitely do not take the same number of execution cycles.

You may have to "tweek" some of the delay loop counters in the programs. Otherwise, replace the KIM addresses with these, fix up the I/O addresses (which I will also discuss later) and about 90% of your conversion is done, at least for the games.

I have not bothered to try any of the cassette programs yet. I have enough problems with the SYM standard routines. There will be some places where you may need to get a little fancy to do the conversion without relocating things. Just remember that if you can perform an equivalent function in fewer bytes you can use NOP's to avoid relocation.

Before I get down to discussing the routines and some notes about writing directly to the displays, I would like to mention that these routines require one hardware modification to the SYM board in order to work properly. The modification is to remove the jumper that enables system RAM write protect, jumper MM-45, just to the left of the crystal.

This is the first modification I made to my SYM, and I have not regretted it at all. If you are leary about permanently disabling something, as I was, you will find that a four position DIP switch does nicely. You will get the added advantage of being able to write protect user RAM. The alternative is to insert a JSR ACCESS at the start of each routine.

The first routine is the one to light the on-board displays, and actually has two entry points. If you enter at SCAND, the byte indirectly pointed to by POINTL is moved to INH, and then the program falls through to SCANDS. This routine lights the display with the six hex values corresponding to the three bytes POINTH, POINTL, and INH, and then returns.

The SYM "equivalent" standard routines OUTBYT and SCAND are not suitable replacements. OUTBYT takes the bytes in the A register, converts them to two hex digits, and rolls them into the display from the right. Repeated calls to OUTBYT cause the characters to march from right to left across the display.

SCAND, on the other hand, lights the display with six hex digits as we want, but it assumes that the segment codes are already in the display buffer. This is further complicated by the fact that the display buffer is at $A640, which is a two byte address instead of the single byte used by the KIM.

What I did was to pick up the data from the KIM addresses, convert it into segment codes by using each nibble as an index into the SYM segment code table, and store all six bytes of segment code in the display buffer before calling the SYM SCAND routine to light the display. Fortunately, the KIM addresses do not

conflict with important SYM addresses. Specifically, $FA and $FB are used by SYM as the pointer to RAM for the EXE-CUTE command, and $F9 is used as a work area for the terminal I/O routines.

The SYM subroutine GETKEY superficially resembles the KIM routine of the same name. The SYM does a lot more for you, since it lights the display and waits for the key to be pressed. It also debounces the keyboard, and converts the key code to ASCII. The KIM routine, on the other hand, reads the keyboard and returns with a binary number corresponding to the key pressed. It does not wait to debounce the keyboard, nor does it light the display. This makes it easier to program the keyboard independently of the display. It is also more work, by the way.

The SYM routine LRNKEY is a closer approximation to the routine we want. It scans the keyboard once, converts the key code to ASCII, and returns. Conveniently, the value in the X register is the index that was used to get the ASCII equivalent of the key pressed. This table starts with the code for ZERO, so the value in X is neatly set 0 through F for those keys, and all we need to do is transfer it to the A register.

The SYM has more keys than the KIM, so these are set to the KIM value for "no key" on the assumption that the KIM routines wouldn't know what to do with them anyway. For the remaining keys we just use a translate table that is somewhat arbitrary since the keys are not labeled identically. See the program listing for which keys are translated to what, and note that the SYM shift key is made equivalent to the KIM "no key" value.

The KIM routine KEYIN has a very close equivalent in the SYM entry KEYQ. The main difference between them is which way the zero flag gets set if a key is down. The KIM returns a zero condition if a key is down, and the SYM returns as not zero. All this routine does is load a $FF or $00 into the X register to reverse the SYM zero flag setting.

The reason the X register is loaded with $FF for a "no key" is that LRNKEY in the SYM monitor does an INX immediately before returning if entered without a key down. With X set to $FF upon entry, this will result in a zero condition from the LRNKEY routine. Since none of the ASCII codes are zero, we can set the appropriate key value in the GETKEY routine. This way a JSR KEYIN followed by a JSR GETKEY will be consistant with the KIM routines.

```
0010:
0020:           SYM-1 VERSIONS OF VARIOUS KIM ROUTINES
0030:           BY: NICK VRTIS - LSI/CCSD    04/12/79
0040:           MODIFIED BY MICRO STAFF      06/06/79
0050:
0060:           THE PURPOSE OF THESE ROUTINES IS TO PROVIDE A CERTAIN
0070:           AMOUNT OF SOFTWARE COMPATIBILITY BETWEEN THE SYM AND
0080:           KIM MONITORS.  THIS WILL MAKE IT EASIER TO CONVERT
0090:           PROGRAMS WRITTEN FOR THE KIM TO RUN ON THE SYM.
0100:
0110:           TIME DEPENDENT CODE IS NOT SIMULATED
0120:
0130:           NO ATTEMPT IS MADE TO DUPLICATE THE KIM MONITOR,
0140:           ENTRY POINT FOR ENTRY POINT.  RATHER, THESE ARE
0150:           THE MAIN ROUTINES AS USED IN 'THE FIRST BOOK OF
0160:           KIM'.
0170:
0180: 0170      TRANSO *    $0137  TRANSLATE TABLE LESS OFFSET $11
0190: 0170      PZSCR  *    $00FC  PAGE ZERO SCRATCH LOCATION
0200: 0170      POINTH *    $00FB  EXECUTE RAM POINTER HIGH
0210: 0170      POINTL *    $00FA  EXECUTE RAM POINTER LOW
0220: 0170      INH    *    $00F9  TERMINAL CHARACTER INPUT
0230: 0170      SYMPAD *    $A400  OUTPUT PORT A ON 6532
0240: 0170      SYMPBD *    $A402  OUTPUT PORT B ON 6532
0250: 0170      SYMDIS *    $A640  DISPLAY BUFFER
0260: 0170      SYMSCA *    $8906  LED OUTPUT DISPLAY BUFFER
0270: 0170      SYMKEY *    $8923  CHECK FOR ANY KEY DOWN
0280: 0170      SYMLRN *    $892C  DETERMINE KEY PRESSED
0290: 0170      SYMSEG *    $8C29  LED SEGMENT CODES
0300:
0310: 0100           ORG  $0100  OUT OF THE WAY ON STACK PAGE
0320:

0330:           ************************************************
0340:           * SYM-1 VERSION OF KIM SCAND & SCANDS ROUTINES
0350:           ************************************************
0360:
0370: 0100 A0 00   SCAND  LDYIM $0000  ENTER HERE TO GET BYTE
0380: 0102 B1 FA          LDAIY POINTL ADDRESSED BY POINTL
0390: 0104 85 F9          STA   INH    AND MOVE IT TO INH AREA
0400:
0410: 0106 A0 00   SCANDS LDYIM $0000  ENTER HERE IF INH ALREADY STORED
0420: 0108 A5 FB          LDA   POINTH POINTH FIRST TO DISPLAY BUFFER
0430: 010A 20 1A 01       JSR   SPLITP
0440: 010D A5 FA          LDA   POINTL THEN DO POINTL
0450: 010F 20 1A 01       JSR   SPLITP
0460: 0112 A5 F9          LDA   INH    LAST BUT NOT LEAST DO INH
0470: 0114 20 1A 01       JSR   SPLITP
0480: 0117 4C 06 89       JMP   SYMSCA SET SYM MONITOR LIGHT & RETURN
0490:
0500: 011A 48      SPLITP PHA          SAVE ORIGINAL
0510: 011B 4A          LSRA         ON STACK FOR LATER
0520: 011C 4A          LSRA         SHIFT HI HALF TO LO HALF
0530: 011D 4A          LSRA
0540: 011E 4A          LSRA         WHICH IS 4 BITS DOWN
0550: 011F AA          TAX          PUT INTO X AS AN INDEX
0560: 0120 BD 29 8C    LDAX  SYMSEG GET APPROPRIATE SEGMENT CODE
0570: 0123 99 40 A6    STAY  SYMDIS AND PUT INTO DISPLAY BUFFER
0580: 0126 C8          INY          BUMP 'Y' FOR NEXT BYTE
0590: 0127 68          PLA          NOW GET ORIGINAL VALUE BACK
0600: 0128 29 0F       ANDIM $000F  KEEP ONLY LOW ORDER 4 BITS
0610: 012A AA          TAX          AND REPEAT SEGMENT PROCESS
0620: 012B BD 29 8C    LDAX  SYMSEG
0630: 012E 99 40 A6    STAY  SYMDIS
0640: 0131 C8          INY          INCLUDING BUMP FOR NEXT BYTE
0650: 0132 60          RTS          AND RETURN
```

Writing to the displays is, again, a little more difficult than changing a set of addresses. It is also something that gets spread through the program, so I can't write a nice software solution as I did for the other routines. Fortunately, you can usually perform the same functions on the SYM as on the KIM in either the same or a smaller number of bytes. Less is as good as the same, since one can always add NOP's to pad it out.

The first problem is to set the data direction registers on the I/O ports to output to the displays. The normal code to look for in the KIM programs would be the following:

```
LDAIM   $7F
STA     $1741
```

On the SYM we need to set the two direction registers at $A401 and $A403. In order to do this in the same number of bytes we can make use of the SYM monitor CONFIG routine as follows:

```
LDAIM   $09
JSR     $89A5
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This routine sets both I/O ports to output, and additionally stores zero in both I/O registers.

Individual digit selection is also different between the two systems, but both use a multiplex concept. This means that one I/O register determines which segments get lighted, and one register determines which digit is selected. The KIM hardware selects the leftmost digit with a 9 stored into location $1742. This is incremented by two for each digit to the right.

The SYM starts with a value of zero to location $A402. This needs to be increased by one for each digit to the right. You may be in for a little extra for those routines that increment and then check to see if they are done. Storing a 6 to location $A402 enables the onboard beeper, so if your routine suddenly starts beeping at you, don't be surprised. Tell everybody how great your sound effects are.

The actual segment codes are written to location $1740 on the KIM and $A400 on the SYM. These two addresses are one-for-one replacements. In order to convert routines that use these ports, change the address of the store instructions to the display, and find the place where the digit selector is bumped twice to get to the next digit, then simply NOP the second bump.

One final note about the timers. The KIM timer returns zero to a read before the clock has timed out, whereas the SYM returns the current clock count. This means that, in addition to changing the addresses, you will also have to change the branch after the check for clock expiration.

```
0660:
0670:           ****************************************
0680:           * SYM-1 VERSION OF KIM GETKEY SUBROUTINE
0690:           ****************************************
0700:
0710: 0133 20 2C 89  GETKEY JSR   SYMLRN  GET SYM VERSION OF THE KEY
0720:
0730: 0136 D0 03            BNE   KEYDWN  BRANCH IF ANY KEY IS DOWN
0740: 0138 A9 15     GKNONE LDAIM $0015   ELSE SET TO KIM NO KEY DOWN
0750: 013A 60               RTS           AND RETURN
0760: 013B 8A       KEYDWN TXA            X HOLDS INDEX INTO ASCII TABLE
0770: 013C C9 11            CMPIM $0011   NEED TO FUDGE KEY VALUE?
0780: 013E 90 07            BCC   GKRTS   00-0F IS OK 10=AD(KIM)=CR(SYM)
0790: 0140 C9 16            CMPIM $0016   CHECK FOR OUT OF KIM RANGE
0800: 0142 B0 F4            BCS   GKNONE  AND TREAT AS A NO KEY
0810: 0144 BD 37 01         LDAX  TRANSO  ELSE TRANSLATE THROUGH TABLE
0820: 0147 60       GKRTS  RTS           AND RETURN
0830:
0840: 0148 12       TRANST =     $12     '+'(KIM)='-/+'(SYM)
0850: 0149 11              =     $11     'DA'(KIM)='>/<'(SYM)
0860: 014A 15              =     $15     SHIFT (SYM)=NO KEY (KIM)
0870: 014B 13              =     $13     'G'(KIM)='GO/LP'(SYM)
0880: 014C 14              =     $14     'PC'(KIM)='REG/SP'(SYM)

0890:
0900:           ****************************************
0910:           * SYM-1 VERSION OF KIM KEYIN SUBROUTINE
0920:           ****************************************
0930:
0940: 014D 20 23 89  KEYIN  JSR   SYMKEY  GET KEYBOARD STATUS
0950: 0150 D0 03            BNE   KEYIN2  REVERSE ZERO FLAG
0960: 0152 A2 FF            LDXIM $00FF   KIM NOT ZERO - NO KEY - FF FOR LRNKEY
0970: 0154 60               RTS
0980: 0155 A2 00     KEYIN2 LDXIM $0000   AND IS ZERO IF KEY IS DOWN
0990: 0157 60               RTS
1000:

1010:           ********************************************************
1020:           * SYM-1 VERSION OF KIM CONVD ROUTINES $1F48 & $1F4E
1030:           ********************************************************
1040:
1050: 0158 84 FC     CONVD  STY   PZSCR   SAVE Y IN SCRATCH AREA
1060: 015A A8               TAY           MOVE NIBBLE OF A TO INDEX REGISTER
1070: 015B B9 29 8C         LDAY  SYMSEG  GET HEX SEGMENT CODES FROM TABLE
1080: 015E 8E 02 A4  DISPCH STX   SYMPBD  SELECT THE DIGIT
1090: 0161 8D 00 A4         STA   SYMPAD  OUTPUT THE SEGMENT CODES
1100: 0164 A0 10            LDYIM $0010   KEEP IT LIT FOR A WHILE
1110: 0166 88       LIGHT  DEY
1120: 0167 D0 FD            BNE   LIGHT

1130: 0169 8C 00 A4         STY   SYMPAD  TURN ALL SEGMENTS OFF FOR NEXT ONE
1140: 016C E8               INX           BUMP X TO NEXT DIGIT
1150: 016D A4 FC            LDY   PZSCR   RESTORE THE Y REGISTER
1160: 016F 60               RTS           AND RETURN
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SYMBOL TABLE 2000 2096
CONVD   0158    DISPCH  015E    GETKEY  0133    GKNONE  0138
GKRTS   0147    INH     00F9    KEYDWN  013B    KEYIN   014D
KEYINR  0155    LIGHT   0166    POINTH  00FB    POINTL  00FA
PZSCR   00FC    SCAND   0100    SCANDS  0106    SPLITP  011A
SYMDIS  A640    SYMKEY  8923    SYMLRN  892C    SYMPAD  A400
SYMPBD  A402    SYMSCA  8906    SYMSEG  8C29    TRANSO  0137
TRANST  0148
```

AMPERSORT

A fast, machine language sort utility for the APPLE II
that handles integer, floating point and character rec-
ords. Because it is callable from BASIC, this sort routine
is a worthwhile addition to any software library.

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A sort utility is usually one of the first programs needed for records management application programs. If the utility is written in BASIC and runs under an interpreter, one quickly discovers that the sort is painfully slow on a micro. The sort program presented here, written in machine language for the APPLE II with AppleSoft ROM, will certainly remedy that problem. While no speed records will be set, it will run circles around BASIC, sorting 900 integer, 700 floating point, or 300 30-character records in about 60 seconds.

Speed is not the only beauty of AMPER-SORT. As its name implies, the BASIC-to-machine language interface utilizes the powerful, but not-widely-known, feature of AppleSoft — the Ampersand. What is the Ampersand and why is it so useful? Consider the following example of how a BASIC program passes sort parameters to AMPER-SORT:

    100 &SRT#(AB$,0,10,7,10,A,1,5,D)

This statement, when embedded in a BASIC program or entered as an immediate command AMPER-SORT to sort AB$(0) through AB$(10) in ascending order based on the 7th to 10th characters and in descending order for the 1st through 5th characters. Of course, POKEs could be used to pass parameters from other 6502 BASICs, but there's something more professionally pleasing about the Ampersand interface.

There is no user documentation from APPLE on the Ampersand feature. I first read of the feature in the October 1978 issue of *CALL APPLE*. When the Apple-Soft interpreter encounters an ampersand (&) character at the beginning of a BASIC statement, it does a JSR $3F5. If the user has placed a JMP instruction there, a link is made to the user's machine language routine. APPLE has thoughtfully provided some ampersand handling routines described in the November and December issues of *CALL APPLE*. The routines enable your machine language routine to examine and convert the characters or expressions following the ampersand. The routines used in AMPER-SORT are:

CHRGET ($00B1)

This routine will return, in the accumulator, the next character in the statement.

The first character is in the accumulator when the JSR $3F5 occurs. The zero flag is set if the character is an end-of-line token (00) or statement terminator ($3A). The carry flag is set if the character is non-numeric, and cleared if it is numeric. The character pointer at $B8 and $B9 is advanced automatically so that the next JSR $B1 will return the next character. A JSR $B7 will return a character without advancing the pointer.

FRMNUM ($DD67)

This routine evaluates an expression of variables and constants in the ampersand statement from the current pointer to the next comma. The result is placed in the floating point accumulator.

GETADR ($E752)

This routine will convert the floating point accumulator to a two-byte integer and place it in $50 and $51. FRMNUM and GETADR are used by AMPER-SORT to retrieve the sort parameters and convert each to an unteger.

GETBYT ($E6F8)

This routine will retrieve the next expression and return it as a one-byte interger in the X-register.

It is the user's responsibility to leave the $B8 and $B9 pointer at the terminator.

Parameters are passed to AMPER-SORT in the following form:

    100 &SRT#(AB$,B,E,7,10,A,1,5,D)

where:

AB$ is the variable name of the string array to be sorted. The general form is XX$ for string arrays, XX% for integer arrays, and XX for floating point arrays.

B   is a variable, constant or expression containing the value of the subscript element where the sort is to begin, e.g. AB$(B).

E   is a variable or constant or expression containing the value of the subscript element where the sort is to end, e.g. AB$(E). B and

E are useful when the AB$ array is partially filled or has been sectioned into logically separate blocks that need to be sorted independently.

7   is a variable, constant or expression specifying the beginning position of the major sort field.

10   is a variable, constant or expression specifying the ending position of the major sort field.

A   is a character specifying that the major sort field is to be sorted in ascending order.

1   is a variable, constant or expression specifying the beginning position of the first minor sort field.

5.   is a variable, constant or expression specifying the ending position of the first minor sort field.

D   is a character specifying that the first minor sort field is to be sorted in descending order.

The &SRT command will sort character, integer or floating point arrays and can be used in either the immediate or deferred execution mode similar to other AppleSoft BASIC commands. Of course, the named array must have been previously dimensioned and initialized in either case.

A.   Character Arrays
  1. Equal or unequal element lengths
  2. Some or all elements
  3. Ascending or descending order
  4. A major sort field and up to 4 minor sort fields

Examples:

    10   DIM NA$(500)

    100 &SRT#(NA$,0,500,1,5,A)
    200 &SRT#(NA$,0,500,1,5,A,6,10,
         D,11,11,A)
    299 F% = 0: L = 10
    300 &SRT = (NA$,F%,L,10,15,D)

Line 100 sorts on positions 1 through 5 in ascending order for all 501 elements of NA$(500).

Line 200 is the same as Line 100 except that minor sort fields are specified. The sort sequence on positions 1-5 is in ascending order, positions 6-10 are in descending order, and position 11 is ascending order.

Line 299 and 300 sort on positions 10-15 in descending order for NA$(0) through NA$(10).

  B. Integer and Floating Point Arrays

   1. Some or all elements

   2. Ascending order only. (Step through the array backwards if needed in descending order.)

Examples:

```
10   DIM AB%(100),FP(100)

100  &SRT#(AB%,0,100)
299  S = 50: E = 100
300  &SRT#(AB%,S,E)
399  X = 49
400  &SRT#(FP,0,X)
```

Line 100 sorts all 101 elements of AB%(100) in ascending order. Lines 299 and 300 sort from AB%(50) through AB%(100), while lines 399 and 400 sort from FP(0) through FP(49).

Limited editing has been included in the parameter processing code. Therefore, one must be careful to observe such rules as:

  1. $0 \leqslant B < E \leqslant$ maximum number of AB$ elements.

  2. AB$ must be a scalar array. e.g. AB$(10), not AB$(20,40).

  3. The sort array name must be less than 16 characters only the first two count, and they must be unique.

  4. The maximum number of sort fields is 5.

  5. The beginning sort field position must not be greater than the ending sort field position.

Options:

  1. Constants, variables, or expressions may be used for subscript bounds and sort positions.

  2. The &SRT command may be used in immediate or deferred execution mode.

Some editing checks are made. You will notice this when you get a "?SYNTAX ERROR IN LINE XXX" error message. You will also get a "VARIABLE XXX NOT FOUND" message if the routine cannot find the AB$ variable name in variable space.

The AMPER-SORT program is listed in its entirety. A BASIC demo program is also shown. Anyone desiring a cassette tape containing the latest version of the object code assembled at $5200, a copy assembled at $9200, and the source program text in the Microproducts APPLE II Assembler format may receive these by sending the author $5.00 at the above address.

AMPER-SORT Demo

```
1000    GOTO 10000
1050    REM   CHARACTER SORT
1060    CH$ = "ABCDWXYZ":L =   LEN (CH$) - 1
1070    NZ = 8
1080    DIM AB$(NZ)
1090    FOR I = 0 TO NZ
1100    C$ =  MID$ (CH$, INT ( RND (1) * L) + 1,1)
1110    B$ =  MID$ (CH$, INT ( RND (1) * L) + 1,1)
1120    FOR J = 1 TO 3
1130    C$ = C$ + C$:B$ = B$ + B$
1140    NEXT J
1150    AB$(I) = B$ + C$
1160    NEXT I
1170    GOSUB 1240
1180    REM   SORT HALF ASCENDING
1190    REM   SORT HALF DESCENDING
1200    & SRT#(AB$,0,NZ,1,8,A,9,16,D)
1210    GOSUB 1260
1220    GOTO 11000
1230    REM   PRINT ROUTINE
1240    PRINT "      BEFORE"
1250    GOTO 1270
1260    PRINT "      AFTER": PRINT "ASCEND   DESCEND"
1270    FOR I = 0 TO NZ
1280    PRINT AB$(I): NEXT I: RETURN
2000    REM   INTEGER SORT
2010    NZ = 8
2020    DIM IN%(NZ)
2030    FOR I = 0 TO NZ
2040    IN%(I) = 7500 -  INT ( RND (1) * 15000 )
2050    NEXT I
2060    GOSUB 2120
2070    REM   SORT
2080    & SRT#(IN%,0,NZ)
2090    GOSUB 2130
2100    GOTO 11000
2110    REM   PRINT ROUTINE
2120    HTAB 10: PRINT "BEFORE": GOTO 2140
2130    HTAB 10: PRINT "AFTER"
2140    FOR I = 0 TO NZ
2150    PRINT IN%(I): NEXT I: RETURN
3000    REM   FLOATING POINT
3010    TZ = 8
3020    DIM FP(TZ)
3030    FOR I = 0 TO 8
3040    FP(I) = 1000 *  RND (1) *  SIN (I * 7.16)
3050    NEXT I
3060    GOSUB 3120
3070    REM   SORT
3080    & SRT#(FP,0,TZ)
3090    GOSUB 3130
3100    GOTO 11000
3110    REM   PRINT ROUTINE
3120    HTAB 10: PRINT "BEFORE": GOTO 3140
3130    HTAB 10: PRINT "AFTER"
3140    FOR I = 0 TO TZ
3150    PRINT FP(I): NEXT I: RETURN
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0130 ASI2 .DL 00DA
0140 CSI2 .DL 00DC
0150 IIII .DL 00DE
0160 NNNN .DL 00E0
0170 FSTR .DL 00E2
0180 FLEN .DL 00E7
0190 DISP .DL 00EC
0200 JJJJ .DL 00ED
0210 LENI .DL 00EF
0220 LENJ .DL 00F0
0230 TYPE .DL 00F1
0240 ZZ50 .DL 0050
0250 ZZ6B .DL 006B
0260 CHRG .DL 00B1
0270 GETB .DL E6F8
0280 SNER .DL DEC9
0290 FRNM .DL DD67
0300 GETA .DL E752
0310 MPLY .DL FB63
0320 COUT .DL FDED
0330      .OR 5200
0340 :
0350 : PROCESS '&'
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5200-	48		0360 SORT	PHA	ENTER WITH FIRST CHAR
5201-	20 DE 54		0370	JSR SVZP	SAVE A WORK AREA IN ZERO PAGE
5204-	68		0380	PLA	
5205-	A2 00		0390	LDX 00	
5207-	DD 24 55		0400 SR01	CMP SRTS,X	EDIT FOR 'SRT#('
520A-	D0 46		0410	BNE ERRX	SIGNAL 'SYNTAX ERROR'
520C-	20 B1 00		0420	JSR CHRG	GET NEXT CHARACTER
520F-	E8		0430	INX	
5210-	E0 05		0440	CPX 05	
5212-	D0 F3		0450	BNE SR01	
5214-	A2 00		0460	LDX 00	OK SO FAR
5216-	F0 03		0470	BEQ VNAM	
5218-	20 B1 00		0480 SR04	JSR CHRG	GET ANOTHER CHARACTER
521B-	C9 2C		0490 VNAM	CMP ',	LOOP TO GET ARRAY NAME
521D-	F0 0A		0500	BEQ SR05	
521F-	9D 6A 55		0510	STA NAME,X	SAVE NAME
5222-	E8		0520	INX	
5223-	E0 10		0530	CPX 10	16 CHARACTERS IS LONG
5225-	D0 F1		0540	BNE SR04	ENOUGH FOR A NAME
5227-	F0 29		0550	BEQ ERRX	SIGNAL ERROR
5229-	CA		0560 SR05	DEX	
522A-	BD 6A 55		0570	LDA NAME,X	WHAT TYPE
522D-	C9 24		0580	CMP '$	
522F-	F0 24		0590	BEQ CHAR	CHARACTER
5231-	C9 25		0600	CMP '%	
5233-	D0 15		0610	BNE FP00	FLOATING POINT
			0620 :		
			0630 : INTEGER SORT		
5235-	A2 01		0640 INTE	LDX 01	INTEGER
5237-	A9 80		0650 INT1	LDA 80	
5239-	1D 6A 55		0660	ORA NAME,X	NEG. ASCII
523C-	9D 6A 55		0670	STA NAME,X	
523F-	CA		0680	DEX	
5240-	10 F5		0690	BPL INT1	
5242-	A9 02		0700	LDA 02	INITIALIZE DISPLACEMENT
5244-	85 EC		0710	STA *DISP	
5246-	A9 01		0720	LDA 01	
5248-	D0 19		0730	BNE SR06	
			0740 :		

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                          0750  : F.P. SORT
524A-   A9 05             0760  FP00 LDA 05
524C-   85 EC             0770       STA *DISP
524E-   A9 02             0780       LDA 02
5250-   D0 11             0790       BNE SR06
                          0800  :
5252-   4C A5 52          0810  ERRX JMP ERRO
                          0820  :
                          0830  : CHARACTER SORT
5255-   A9 80             0840  CHAR LDA 80
5257-   0D 6B 55          0850       ORA NAME+01         NEG. ASCII
525A-   8D 6B 55          0860       STA NAME+01
525D-   A9 03             0870       LDA 03
525F-   85 EC             0880       STA *DISP
5261-   A9 00             0890       LDA 00
                          0900  :
                          0910  : **   SET UP SORT LIMITS  **
5263-   85 F1             0920  SR06 STA *TYPE           0=CH 1=INT 2=FP
5265-   20 B1 00          0930       JSR CHRG            NOW GET SUBSCRIPTS
5268-   20 67 DD          0940       JSR FRNM            AND PUT IN F.P. ACC.
526B-   20 52 E7          0950       JSR GETA            CONVERT TO INTEGER
526E-   A5 50             0960       LDA *ZZ50
5270-   85 DE             0970       STA *IIII           FIRST SUBSCRIPT
5272-   A5 51             0980       LDA *ZZ50+01
5274-   85 DF             0990       STA *IIII+01
5276-   20 B1 00          1000       JSR CHRG
5279-   20 67 DD          1010       JSR FRNM
527C-   20 52 E7          1020       JSR GETA
527F-   A5 50             1030       LDA *ZZ50
5281-   85 D4             1040       STA *NMS1           LAST SUBSCRIPT INTO N-1
5283-   18                1050       CLC
5284-   69 01             1060       ADC 01
5286-   85 E0             1070       STA *NNNN           N
5288-   A5 51             1080       LDA *ZZ50+01
528A-   85 D5             1090       STA *NMS1+01
528C-   69 00             1100       ADC 00
528E-   85 E1             1110       STA *NNNN+01
5290-   A5 F1             1120       LDA *TYPE
5292-   D0 59             1130       BNE TERM            BRANCH NOT CHARACTER SORT
5294-   F0 15             1140       BEQ SR16
                          1150  :
                          1160  : ***   ERROR   ***
5296-   A2 00             1170  ERR3 LDX 00
5298-   BD 29 55          1180  SR11 LDA MSG1,X          ARRAY VARIABLE NAME
529B-   09 80             1190       ORA 80              NOT FOUND
529D-   20 ED FD          1200       JSR COUT            NOTIFY USER
52A0-   E8                1210       INX
52A1-   E0 17             1220       CPX 17
52A3-   D0 F3             1230       BNE SR11
52A5-   20 01 55          1240  ERRO JSR RSZP            RESTORE ZERO PAGE AND
52A8-   4C C9 DE          1250       JMP SNER            SIGNAL SYNTAX ERROR
                          1260  :
                          1270  : **   GET SORT FIELDS  **
52AB-   A0 00             1280  SR16 LDY 00
52AD-   8C 81 55          1290       STY SAVY
52B0-   20 B1 00          1300  SR17 JSR CHRG            GET NEXT CHARACTER
52B3-   20 F8 E6          1310       JSR GETB
52B6-   CA                1320       DEX
52B7-   AC 81 55          1330       LDY SAVY
52BA-   96 E2             1340       STX *FSTR,Y         START COLUMN -1
52BC-   20 B1 00          1350       JSR CHRG
52BF-   20 F8 E6          1360       JSR GETB
52C2-   AC 81 55          1370       LDY SAVY
52C5-   96 E7             1380       STX *FLEN,Y         END COLUMN
52C7-   20 B1 00          1390       JSR CHRG
52CA-   90 D9             1400       BCC ERRO            SHOULD BE 'A' OR 'D'
52CC-   C9 44             1410       CMP 'D
52CE-   F0 04             1420       BEQ SR07            DESCENDING
52D0-   A9 FF             1430       LDA 0FF             ASCENDING
52D2-   30 02             1440       BMI SR09
52D4-   A9 00             1450  SR07 LDA 00
52D6-   99 7A 55          1460  SR09 STA UPDN,Y          SAVE SEQUENCE
52D9-   C8                1470       INY
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52DA-   8C 81 55   1480          STY SAVY
52DD-   20 B1 00   1490          JSR CHRG
52E0-   C9 29      1500          CMP ')
52E2-   F0 06      1510          BEQ LAST
52E4-   C9 2C      1520          CMP ',
52E6-   F0 C8      1530          BEQ SR17    LOOP FOR NEXT SORT FIELD PARMS
52E8-   D0 BB      1540          BNE ERRO
52EA-   8C 80 55   1550   LAST   STY PRSN    NO. OF SORT FIELDS
52ED-   20 B1 00   1560   TERM   JSR CHRG    MUST BE TERMINATOR
52F0-   D0 B3      1570          BNE ERRO    IT WASN'T
                   1580   ;
                   1590   ; SEARCH SORT ARRAY NAME
52F2-   A0 00      1600   MC20   LDY 00
52F4-   B1 6B      1610          LDA (ZZ6B),Y
52F6-   CD 6A 55   1620          CMP NAME
52F9-   D0 08      1630          BNE MC22
52FB-   C8         1640          INY         FOUND FIRST CHARACTER
52FC-   B1 6B      1650          LDA (ZZ6B),Y
52FE-   CD 6B 55   1660          CMP NAME+01
5301-   F0 2B      1670          BEQ SETN    FOUND BOTH
5303-   18         1680   MC22   CLC         KEEP LOOKING
5304-   A0 02      1690          LDY 02
5306-   B1 6B      1700          LDA (ZZ6B),Y
5308-   65 6B      1710          ADC *ZZ6B
530A-   48         1720          PHA
530B-   C8         1730          INY
530C-   B1 6B      1740          LDA (ZZ6B),Y
530E-   65 6C      1750          ADC *ZZ6B+01
5310-   85 6C      1760          STA *ZZ6B+01
5312-   68         1770          PLA
5313-   85 6B      1780          STA *ZZ6B
5315-   C5 6D      1790          CMP $6D
5317-   A5 6C      1800          LDA *ZZ6B+01
5319-   E5 6E      1810          SBC $6E
531B-   B0 03      1820          BCS SR27    NO LUCK. OUT OF BOUNDS
531D-   4C F2 52   1830          JMP MC20

                   1840   ;
                   1850   ; ** NAME NOT FOUND **
5320-   A2 02      1860   SR27   LDX 02
5322-   BD 6A 55   1870   SR28   LDA NAME,X
5325-   9D 33 55   1880          STA VARI,X  PUT NAME IN BUFFER
5328-   CA         1890          DEX
5329-   10 F7      1900          BPL SR28
532B-   4C 96 52   1910          JMP ERR3    SEND A MESSAGE

                   1920   ;
                   1930   ; * INITIALIZE ARRAY POINTER *
532E-   18         1940   SETN   CLC         FOUND VARIABLE NAME OF
532F-   A5 6B      1950          LDA *ZZ6B   ARRAY TO BE SORTED.
5331-   69 07      1960          ADC 07      COMPUTE ADDRESS OF
5333-   85 52      1970          STA $52     STRING LENGTH BYTE.
5335-   A5 6C      1980          LDA *ZZ6B+01
5337-   69 00      1990          ADC 00
5339-   85 53      2000          STA $53
533B-   A5 DE      2010          LDA *IIII   (6B.6C)+7+DISP*IIII
533D-   85 50      2020          STA *ZZ50
533F-   A5 DF      2030          LDA *IIII+01
5341-   85 51      2040          STA *ZZ50+01
5343-   A5 EC      2050          LDA *DISP
5345-   85 54      2060          STA $54
5347-   A9 00      2070          LDA 00
5349-   85 55      2080          STA $55
534B-   20 63 FB   2090          JSR MPLY    ROM MULTIPLY ROUTINE
534E-   A5 50      2100          LDA *ZZ50
5350-   85 D6      2110          STA *ASII   SAVE ADDRESS FOR MUCH USE
5352-   A5 51      2120          LDA *ZZ50+01
5354-   85 D7      2130          STA *ASII+01
5356-   4C 66 53   2140          JMP SR22
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                        2150    ;
                        2160    ; **** BEGIN SORT ****
                        2170    ;
                        2180    ;   ** FOR I=II TO N-1 LOOP **
5359-   18              2190    CONI  CLC
535A-   A5 D6           2200          LDA *ASII
535C-   65 EC           2210          ADC *DISP      NEXT I ADDRESS
535E-   85 D6           2220          STA *ASII
5360-   A5 D7           2230          LDA *ASII+01
5362-   69 00           2240          ADC 00
5364-   85 D7           2250          STA *ASII+01
5366-   A0 01           2260    SR22  LDY 01
5368-   B1 D6           2270          LDA (ASII),Y   GET ADDRESS OF THE
536A-   85 D8           2280          STA *CSII      CHARACTER STRING
536C-   C8              2290          INY
536D-   B1 D6           2300          LDA (ASII),Y
536F-   85 D9           2310          STA *CSII+01
5371-   18              2320          CLC
5372-   A5 D6           2330          LDA *ASII      ALSO NEED ADDRESS OF
5374-   65 EC           2340          ADC *DISP      ADJACENT ELEMENT FOR
5376-   85 DA           2350          STA *ASI2      BUBBLE SORT COMPARISON
5378-   A5 D7           2360          LDA *ASII+01
537A-   69 00           2370          ADC 00
537C-   85 DB           2380          STA *ASI2+01
537E-   18              2390          CLC
537F-   A5 DE           2400          LDA *IIII
5381-   69 01           2410          ADC 01
5383-   85 ED           2420          STA *JJJJ      J=I+1
5385-   A5 DF           2430          LDA *IIII+01
5387-   69 00           2440          ADC 00
5389-   85 EE           2450          STA *JJJJ+01
538B-   4C 9B 53        2460          JMP SR24
                        2470    ;
                        2480    ;   ** FOR J=I+1 TO N LOOP **
538E-   18              2490    CONJ  CLC
538F-   A5 DA           2500          LDA *ASI2
5391-   65 EC           2510          ADC *DISP      INCREMENT AB$(J) ADDRESS
5393-   85 DA           2520          STA *ASI2
5395-   A5 DB           2530          LDA *ASI2+01
5397-   69 00           2540          ADC 00
5399-   85 DB           2550          STA *ASI2+01
539B-   A0 01           2560    SR24  LDY 01
539D-   B1 DA           2570          LDA (ASI2),Y
539F-   85 DC           2580          STA *CSI2      GET NEW STRING ADDRESS
53A1-   C8              2590          INY
53A2-   B1 DA           2600          LDA (ASI2),Y
53A4-   85 DD           2610          STA *CSI2+01
53A6-   A5 F1           2620          LDA *TYPE
53A8-   F0 03           2630          BEQ CHST       CHARACTER SORT
53AA-   4C 2F 54        2640          JMP NCHH
                        2650    ;
                        2660    ;   ** CHARACTER SORT **
53AD-   A0 00           2670    CHST  LDY 00
53AF-   B1 D6           2680          LDA (ASII),Y   STRING LENGTH
53B1-   F0 52           2690          BEQ MC40       NULL STRING: SKIP
53B3-   85 EF           2700          STA *LENI      SAVE LEN(AB$(I))
53B5-   B1 DA           2710          LDA (ASI2),Y
53B7-   F0 4C           2720          BEQ MC40
53B9-   85 F0           2730          STA *LENJ      SAVE LEN(AB$(J))
53BB-   A2 00           2740          LDX 00
53BD-   B4 E2           2750    SR29  LDY *FSTR,X    STARTING SORT COLUMN
53BF-   BD 7A 55        2760    MC33  LDA UPDN,X     SEQUENCE
53C2-   30 0C           2770          BMI ASND       BRANCH ASCENDING
53C4-   B1 D8           2780          LDA (CSII),Y   CHARACTER BY CHARACTER
53C6-   D1 DC           2790          CMP (CSI2),Y   COMPARISON FOR DESCENDING
53C8-   B0 14           2800          BGE MC26       POSSIBLE SWAP
53CA-   20 B9 54        2810          JSR SWAP       DEFINITE SWAP
53CD-   4C 05 54        2820          JMP MC40               NEXT RECORD
53D0-   B1 D8           2830    ASND  LDA (CSII),Y   ASCENDING
53D2-   D1 DC           2840          CMP (CSI2),Y
53D4-   90 2F           2850          BLT MC40       NO SWAP: NEXT RECORD
53D6-   F0 19           2860          BEQ MC27       POSSIBLE SWAP
53D8-   20 B9 54        2870    MC25  JSR SWAP       SWAP
53DB-   4C 05 54        2880          JMP MC40       NEXT RECORD
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53DE-    DO 25        2890  MC26 BNE MC40        NO SWAP
53E0-    C8           2900       INY             LOOK AT REMAINING CHARACTERS
53E1-    C4 EF        2910       CPY *LENI
53E3-    F0 06        2920       BEQ MC39         UP TO THE LIMITS OR UNTIL
53E5-    C4 F0        2930       CPY *LENJ
53E7-    F0 16        2940       BEQ MC29         WE FIND A REASON TO SWAP
53E9-    90 0F        2950       BLT MC28
53EB-    C4 F0        2960  MC39 CPY *LENJ
53ED-    90 E9        2970       BLT MC25         SWAP
53EF-    F0 0E        2980       BEQ MC29         NO SWAP
53F1-    C8           2990  MC27 INY
53F2-    C4 EF        3000       CPY *LENI
53F4-    F0 09        3010       BEQ MC29
53F6-    C4 F0        3020       CPY *LENJ
53F8-    F0 DE        3030       BEQ MC25
53FA-    98           3040  MC28 TYA
53FB-    D5 E7        3050       CMP *FLEN,X      END OF SORT FIELD?
53FD-    DO C0        3060       BNE MC33         BRANCH NO
53FF-    E8           3070  MC29 INX
5400-    EC 80 55     3080       CPX PRSN         YES. ANY MORE FIELDS?
5403-    DO B8        3090       BNE SR29
                      3100  :
                      3110  : ** NEXT J **
5405-    E6 ED        3120  MC40 INC *JJJJ
5407-    DO 02        3130       BNE MC38
5409-    E6 EE        3140       INC *JJJJ+01     J=J+1
540B-    A5 ED        3150  MC38 LDA *JJJJ
540D-    C5 E0        3160       CMP *NNNN        J=N?
540F-    A5 EE        3170       LDA *JJJJ+01
5411-    E5 E1        3180       SBC *NNNN+01
5413-    90 14        3190       BCC JMPJ         BRANCH NO
                      3200  :
                      3210  : ** NEXT I **
5415-    E6 DE        3220       INC *IIII
5417-    DO 02        3230       BNE MC41
5419-    E6 DF        3240       INC *IIII+01     I=I+1
541B-    A5 DE        3250  MC41 LDA *IIII
541D-    C5 D4        3260       CMP *NMS1        I=N-1?
541F-    A5 DF        3270       LDA *IIII+01
5421-    E5 D5        3280       SBC *NMS1+01
5423-    90 07        3290       BCC JMPI         BRANCH NO
                      3300  :
                      3310  : ****   SORT DONE   ****
5425-    20 01 55     3320  SDON JSR RSZP         RESTORE ZERO PAGE
5428-    60           3330       RTS
5429-    4C 8E 53     3340  JMPJ JMP CONJ
542C-    4C 59 53     3350  JMPI JMP CONI
542F-    18           3360  NCHH CLC              NOT A CHARACTER SORT SO
5430-    6A           3370       ROR              IT MUST BE INTEGER OR F.P.
5431-    B0 03        3380       BCS INTC         IT'S INTEGER
5433-    4C 6D 54     3390       JMP FPCC         IT'S FLOATING POINT
                      3400  :
                      3410  : ** INTEGER SORT **
5436-    A0 01        3420  INTC LDY 01
5438-    B1 D6        3430       LDA (ASII),Y     ASCENDING ORDER ONLY
543A-    D1 DA        3440       CMP (ASI2),Y
543C-    88           3450       DEY              COMPARE IN%(I) WITH IN%(J)
543D-    B1 D6        3460       LDA (ASII),Y
543F-    F1 DA        3470       SBC (ASI2),Y
5441-    90 22        3480       BCC NOSP         POSSIBLE SWAP
5443-    B1 D6        3490       LDA (ASII),Y
5445-    51 DA        3500       EOR (ASI2),Y
5447-    30 BC        3510       BMI MC40
                      3520  :
                      3530  : ** SWAP I WITH J **
5449-    C8           3540  SWIN INY
544A-    B1 DA        3550       LDA (ASI2),Y
544C-    48           3560       PHA
544D-    88           3570       DEY
544E-    B1 DA        3580       LDA (ASI2),Y     SWAP IN%(I) WITH IN%(J)
5450-    48           3590       PHA
5451-    B1 D6        3600       LDA (ASII),Y
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5453-    91 DA        3610         STA (ASI2),Y
5455-    C8           3620         INY
5456-    B1 D6        3630         LDA (ASII),Y
5458-    91 DA        3640         STA (ASI2),Y
545A-    88           3650         DEY
545B-    68           3660         PLA
545C-    91 D6        3670         STA (ASII),Y
545E-    C8           3680         INY
545F-    68           3690         PLA
5460-    91 D6        3700         STA (ASII),Y
5462-    4C 05 54     3710         JMP MC40          NEXT RECORD
5465-    B1 D6        3720  NOSP LDA (ASII),Y
5467-    51 DA        3730         EOR (ASI2),Y
5469-    30 DE        3740         BMI SWIN          SWAP
546B-    10 98        3750         BPL MC40
                      3760  :
                      3770  :  ** FLOATING POINT SORT **
546D-    A0 00        3780  FPCC LDY 00
546F-    38           3790  FP01 SEC
5470-    B1 D6        3800         LDA (ASII),Y
5472-    F1 DA        3810         SBC (ASI2),Y
5474-    F0 04        3820         BEQ FP02
5476-    10 1F        3830         BPL FPSP          THIS BIT OF CONVOLUTED
5478-    30 07        3840         BMI MBSP          LOGIC TELLS ME IF
547A-    C8           3850  FP02 INY                 FP(I) IS GREATER THAN,
547B-    C0 05        3860         CPY 05            EQUAL TO, OR LESS THAN
547D-    D0 F0        3870         BNE FP01          FP(J).
547F-    F0 3E        3880         BEQ JM40
5481-    A0 01        3890  MBSP LDY 01              A TRUTH TABLE HELPS
5483-    B1 D6        3900         LDA (ASII),Y
5485-    31 DA        3910         AND (ASI2),Y
5487-    11 DA        3920         ORA (ASI2),Y
5489-    30 20        3930         BMI FP03
548B-    88           3940         DEY
548C-    B1 DA        3941         LDA (ASI2),Y
548E-    D0 2F        3942         BNE JM40
5490-    C8           3943         INY
5491-    B1 D6        3944         LDA (ASII),Y
5493-    10 16        3945         BPL FP03
5495-    30 28        3946         BMI JM40
5497-    A0 01        3950  FPSP LDY 01
5499-    B1 D6        3960         LDA (ASII),Y
549B-    31 DA        3970         AND (ASI2),Y
549D-    11 D6        3980         ORA (ASII),Y
549F-    30 1E        3990         BMI JM40
54A1-    88           4000         DEY
54A2-    B1 D6        4010         LDA (ASII),Y
54A4-    D0 05        4020         BNE FP03
54A6-    C8           4030         INY
54A7-    B1 DA        4040         LDA (ASI2),Y
54A9-    10 14        4050         BPL JM40
54AB-    A0 04        4060  FP03 LDY 04
54AD-    B1 D6        4070  FP04 LDA (ASII),Y        SAVE FP(I) IN STACK
54AF-    48           4080         PHA
54B0-    88           4090         DEY
54B1-    10 FA        4100         BPL FP04
54B3-    C8           4110  FP08 INY
54B4-    B1 DA        4120         LDA (ASI2),Y
54B6-    91 D6        4130         STA (ASII),Y      SWAP
54B8-    68           4140         PLA
54B9-    91 DA        4150         STA (ASI2),Y
54BB-    C0 04        4160         CPY 04
54BD-    D0 F4        4170         BNE FP08
54BF-    4C 05 54     4180  JM40 JMP MC40            NEXT RECORD
54C2-    A0 00        4190  SWAP LDY 00
54C4-    B1 D6        4200         LDA (ASII),Y
54C6-    48           4210         PHA               ROUTINE TO SWAP THE
54C7-    C8           4220         INY
54C8-    A5 D8        4230         LDA *CSII         CHARACTER POINTERS FOR
54CA-    91 DA        4240         STA (ASI2),Y
54CC-    C8           4250         INY               CHARACTER SORT.
54CD-    A5 D9        4260         LDA *CSII+01
54CF-    91 DA        4270         STA (ASI2),Y
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54D1-   A5 DD        4280         LDA *CSI2+01        SAVE SOME OF APPLESOFT'S
54D3-   91 D6        4290         STA (ASII),Y        ZERO PAGE.  SORT ROUTINE
54D5-   85 D9        4300         STA *CSII+01        NEEDS SOME ROOM TO WORK.
54D7-   88           4310         DEY
54D8-   A5 DC        4320         LDA *CSI2
54DA-   91 D6        4330         STA (ASII),Y
54DC-   85 D8        4340         STA *CSII
54DE-   88           4350         DEY
54DF-   B1 DA        4360         LDA (ASI2),Y
54E1-   91 D6        4370         STA (ASII),Y
54E3-   68           4380         PLA
54E4-   91 DA        4390         STA (ASI2),Y
54E6-   60           4400         RTS
54E7-   A2 00        4410   SVZP  LDX 00
54E9-   B5 D0        4420   MC51  LDA *NAPT,X
54EB-   9D 49 55     4430         STA ZPSV,X
54EE-   E8           4440         INX
54EF-   E0 22        4450         CPX 22
54F1-   D0 F6        4460         BNE MC51
54F3-   A5 6B        4470         LDA *ZZ6B            ALSO $6B.6C
54F5-   8D 71 55     4480         STA SV6B
54F8-   A5 6C        4490         LDA *ZZ6B+01
54FA-   8D 72 55     4500         STA SV6B+01
54FD-   A2 00        4510         LDX 00
54FF-   B5 50        4520   MC55  LDA *ZZ50,X         ALSO $50.55
5501-   9D 6B 55     4530         STA SV50,X
5504-   E8           4540         INX
5505-   E0 06        4550         CPX 06
5507-   D0 F6        4560         BNE MC55
5509-   60           4570         RTS
550A-   A2 00        4580   RSZP  LDX 00              RESTORE ZERO PAGE DATA
550C-   BD 49 55     4590   MC61  LDA ZPSV,X
550F-   95 D0        4600         STA *NAPT,X
5511-   E8           4610         INX
5512-   E0 22        4620         CPX 22
5514-   D0 F6        4630         BNE MC61
5516-   AD 71 55     4640         LDA SV6B
5519-   85 6B        4650         STA *ZZ6B
551B-   AD 72 55     4660         LDA SV6B+01
551E-   85 6C        4670         STA *ZZ6B+01
5520-   A2 00        4680         LDX 00
5522-   BD 6B 55     4690   MC65  LDA SV50,X
5525-   95 50        4700         STA *ZZ50,X
5527-   E8           4710         INX
5528-   E0 06        4720         CPX 06
552A-   D0 F6        4730         BNE MC65
552C-   60           4740         RTS
                     4750   :
                     4760   SRTS  .AS 'SRT#('
552D-  53 52 54      4770   MSG1  .HS 8D
5530-  23 28         4780         .AS 'VARIABLE '
5532-  8D            4790   VARI  .HS 202020
5533-  56 41 52 49   4800         .AS ' NOT FOUND'
5537-  41            4810   ZPSV  .HS 0000000000000000
5538-  42 4C 45      4820         .HS 0000000000000000
553B-  20 20 20      4830         .HS 0000000000000000
553E-  20 20         4840         .HS 0000000000000000
5540-  4E 4F         4850         .HS 0000
5542-  54 20 46 4F   4860   SV50  .HS 000000000000
5546-  55 4E         4870   SV6B  .HS 0000
5548-  44            4880   NAME  .HS 0000000000000000
                     4890         .HS 0000000000000000
                     4900   UPDN  .HS 0000000000
                     4910   INDS  .HS 00
                     4920   PRSN  .HS 00
                     4930   SAVY  .HS 00
                     4940         .EN
```

```
10000   REM    ** &SORT DEMO **
10010   REM   SAVE ROOM FOR
10020   REM   SORT ROUTINE
10030   HIMEM: 20992: REM   $5200
10040   D$ =  CHR$ (4)
10050   PRINT D$;"BLOAD B.AMPER-SORT"
10060   REM   SET UP '&' HOOK
10070   REM    AT $3F5:JMP $5200
10080   POKE 1013,76: POKE 1014,0: POKE 1015,82
10090   HOME : CLEAR
10100   VTAB 8: HTAB 15: PRINT "SORT DEMO"
10110   PRINT : HTAB 15: PRINT "SELECTIONS"
10120   PRINT : HTAB 10: PRINT "1  INTEGER SORT"
10130   HTAB 10: PRINT "2  FLOATING POINT SORT"
10140   HTAB 10: PRINT "3  CHARACTER SORT"
10150   HTAB 10: PRINT "4  EXIT"
10160   VTAB 17: INPUT "SELECTION ";SE%
10170   IF SE% < 0 OR SE% > 4 THEN 10090
10180   ON SE% GOTO 2000,3000,1050,10190
10190   END
11000   PRINT "HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU"
11010   WAIT  - 16384,128
11020   POKE  - 16368,0
11030   GOTO 10090
```

]RUN

SORT DEMO	SORT DEMO
SELECTIONS	SELECTIONS
1 INTEGER SORT	1 INTEGER SORT
2 FLOATING POINT SORT	2 FLOATING POINT SORT
3 CHARACTER SORT	3 CHARACTER SORT
4 EXIT	4 EXIT

SELECTION 1   SELECTION 2
        BEFORE   BEFORE
7153   0
335   65.0306039
-1300   831.056575
-4376   483.823094
-6944   -296.508742
4948   -370.915344
-2914   -226.85172
3416   -61.023044
-2955   353.768754
        AFTER   AFTER
-6944   -370.915344
-4376   -296.508742
-2955   -226.85172
-2914   -61.023044
-1300   0
335   65.0306039
3416   353.768754
4948   483.823094
7153   831.056575

HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU   HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU

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              SORT DEMO                          SELECTION 1
                                                      BEFORE
              SELECTIONS                        -103
                                                -3561
          1   INTEGER SORT                      -5898
          2   FLOATING POINT SORT               3111
          3   CHARACTER SORT                     2627
          4   EXIT                              -1089
SELECTION 3                                      7465
      BEFORE                                     2340
XXXXXXXXCCCCCCCC                                -5242
AAAAAAAADDDDDDDD
DDDDDDDDBBBBBBBB                                      AFTER
AAAAAAAAXXXXXXXX                                -5898
CCCCCCCCAAAAAAAA                                -5242
YYYYYYYYCCCCCCCC                                -3561
YYYYYYYYWWWWWWWW                                -1089
BBBBBBBBWWWWWWWW                                -103
XXXXXXXXBBBBBBBB                                 2340
      AFTER                                      2627
ASCEND  DESCEND                                  3111
AAAAAAAAXXXXXXXX                                 7465
AAAAAAAADDDDDDDD                       HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU
BBBBBBBBWWWWWWWW
CCCCCCCCAAAAAAAA
DDDDDDDDBBBBBBBB
XXXXXXXXCCCCCCCC                                   SORT DEMO
XXXXXXXXBBBBBBBB
YYYYYYYYWWWWWWWW                                   SELECTIONS
YYYYYYYYCCCCCCCC
HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU                 1   INTEGER SORT
                                              2   FLOATING POINT SORT
                                              3   CHARACTER SORT
                                              4   EXIT
              SORT DEMO                   SELECTION
                                         ?REENTER
              SELECTIONS

          1   INTEGER SORT
          2   FLOATING POINT SORT
          3   CHARACTER SORT
          4   EXIT                       SELECTION 2
                                               BEFORE
                                         0
SELECTION 11                             281.379543
              SORT DEMO                   659.537768
                                         185.655704
              SELECTIONS                 -186.595071
                                         -736.508304
          1   INTEGER SORT               -10.1274439
          2   FLOATING POINT SORT        -77.9707171
          3   CHARACTER SORT             352.15675
          4   EXIT
```

```
                 AFTER                     SELECTION 1
        -736.508304                            BEFORE
        -186.595071                   2088
        -77.9707171                   6273
        -10.1274439                   -900
        0                             -4864
         185.655704                   -7349
         281.379543                   6889
         352.15675                    4183
         659.537768                   1853
HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU         -4013
                                               AFTER
                                      -7349
              SORT DEMO               -4864
                                      -4013
              SELECTIONS              -900
                                      1853
         1   INTEGER SORT             2088
         2   FLOATING POINT SORT      4183
         3   CHARACTER SORT           6273
         4   EXIT                     6889
                             HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU




                                              SORT DEMO

 SELECTION 3                                  SELECTIONS
      BEFORE
AAAAAAAADDDDDDDD                      1   INTEGER SORT
CCCCCCCCAAAAAAAA                      2   FLOATING POINT SORT
CCCCCCCCDDDDDDDD                      3   CHARACTER SORT
WWWWWWWWYYYYYYYY                      4   EXIT
YYYYYYYYXXXXXXXX
BBBBBBBBCCCCCCCC
CCCCCCCCCCCCCCCC
CCCCCCCCXXXXXXXX             SELECTION 2
AAAAAAAAWWWWWWWW                  BEFORE
      AFTER                  0
ASCEND  DESCEND              370.781155
AAAAAAAAWWWWWWWW             264.527624
AAAAAAAADDDDDDDD             345.96456
BBBBBBBBCCCCCCCC             -119.00236
CCCCCCCCXXXXXXXX             -881.17073
CCCCCCCCDDDDDDDD             -302.459631
CCCCCCCCCCCCCCCC             -77.2997615
CCCCCCCCAAAAAAAA             444.30628
WWWWWWWWYYYYYYYY                  AFTER
YYYYYYYYXXXXXXXX             -881.17073
HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU  -302.459631
              SORT DEMO      -119.00236
                            -77.2997615
              SELECTIONS     0
                            264.527624
         1   INTEGER SORT    345.96456
         2   FLOATING POINT SORT  370.781155
         3   CHARACTER SORT   444.30628
         4   EXIT
```

```
HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU


              SORT DEMO

            SELECTIONS

      1   INTEGER SORT
      2   FLOATING POINT SORT
      3   CHARACTER SORT
      4   EXIT



SELECTION 3
     BEFORE
WWWWWWWWWWWWWWWW
DDDDDDDDBBBBBBBB
WWWWWWWWYYYYYYYY
DDDDDDDDDDDDDDDD
DDDDDDDDXXXXXXXX
YYYYYYYYBBBBBBBB
WWWWWWWWBBBBBBBB
BBBBBBBBYYYYYYYY
BBBBBBBBBBBBBBBB
```

```
AFTER
ASCEND  DESCEND
BBBBBBBBYYYYYYYY
BBBBBBBBBBBBBBBB
DDDDDDDDXXXXXXXX
DDDDDDDDDDDDDDDD
DDDDDDDDBBBBBBBB
WWWWWWWWYYYYYYYY
WWWWWWWWWWWWWWWW
WWWWWWWWBBBBBBBB
YYYYYYYYBBBBBBBB
HIT ANY KEY TO RETURN TO MENU
```

```
            SORT DEMO

          SELECTIONS

    1    INTEGER SORT
    2    FLOATING POINT SORT
    3    CHARACTER SORT
    4    EXIT
```

OSI Fast Screen Erase under BASIC

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When a BASIC program erases the screen by writing blanks, it can take more time to clear the display than to fill it. Speed up that slow poke with this fast machine language approach.

While working on a number of game programs written in BASIC, the need for a faster method of screen clearing for animated characters was a desirable feature that I did not have with the POKE function of BASIC. The usual method is to set the desired number of lines to be cleared and POKE the ASCII equivalent for a blank out to the screen. This gives a slow, line-by-line screen clearing effect that is not acceptable with fast games using animated characters. The screen clear routine must be ultra-fast for this type of game program.

The following subroutine will work with most BASIC programs that require a fast screen clear. The routine is written in BASIC and assembly language. The ultra-fast screen erase portion is in assembly object code and is placed in user memory. It can be used with programs written in OSI MicroSoft BASIC for the OSI computer systems.

My system is composed of the system boards sold by Ohio Scientific Instruments. The CPU board is a Model 500 with the 8K OSI BASIC by MicroSoft. The display board is a Model 440 with 4 pages of screen memory and alphanumerics only. My system has 8K of read-write memory on two 420C memory boards, along with a 430A Super I/O board for the audio cassette interface.

The program is a subroutine that uses BASIC as a housekeeper to count the number of pages to be cleared. The actual work is done in the machine code routine that is called by the mainline BASIC program. This program can be set up as a subroutine and called from your mainline when a screen erase is required.

At line 10, the variable D contains the initial location for the machine code routine that performs the store-to-screen function. This is the location at the beginning of the screen memory. The screen memory begins at hex D000, or 53213 decimal, on the 440 and the 540 OSI display boards.

Line 20 defines the USR vector and sets the vector point to hex 0F000, or 3840 decimal, where the machine code routine is located. Line 30 causes a jump to the user vector located at hex 0A, 0B, and 0C in page zero of the user memory.

The machine code routine will execute and one page of screen memory will be cleared. Line 40 updates the page count by changing the machine code routine at location 0F08, or 3848 decimal. At line 50, the page pointer is incremented by increasing variable D by 1.

Lines 60 and 70 check to see whether all pages, or all screen locations have been cleared. If they have not (variable D not equal to 213 or 217) then another loop will be forced until all pages of screen memory have been cleared. Line 70 should be a return, if called as a subroutine: 70 IF D = 213 THEN RETURN for a 440 display board, and 70 IF D = 217 THEN RETURN for a 540 display board.

The loading of machine code into user memory can be performed by storing the machine code in DATA statments. Then the user location is defined and the data is read and POKEd into user memory. An example of this method is found in the subroutine at lines 100 through 150.

A word of caution may be in order at this point. The memory size must be set when bringing up BASIC. That is, before loading your program you must set the size of memory to protect the machine code routine. Set the memory size to 3839 decimal, for this routine, to prevent BASIC from destroying your machine code.

```
10 D=208
20 POKE 11,00: POKE 12,15
30 X=USR(X)
40 POKE 3848,D
50 D=D+1
60 IF D<213 THEN 30
70 IF D=213 THEN RETURN


100 FOR R=3840 TO 3853
110 READ M: POKE R,M
120 NEXT R
130 DATA 162,0,232,169,32,234
140 DATA 157,0,208,224,255,208,245,96
150 RETURN
```

THE MICRO SOFTWARE CATALOG: X

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Name: **DISK TEXT EDITOR**
System: **Apple II**
Memory: **Minimum of 24K with DOS & Applesoft ROM**
Language: **Applesoft II BASIC**
Hardware: **Apple II, Disk II, optional Applesoft ROM & printer.**
Description: EDIT is a DOS Text Editor designed to facilitate changes to disk files, but also supporting input and output via cassette. The text editor will operate on fixed or variable length disk records and has 27 commands. System commands allow the user to DELETE, INSERT, CHANGE, DISPLAY, ADD, and PRINT records. String commands, such as STRING CHANGE and SEARCH, find and change a single character string or the entire file. User defined TABS, file APPEND, and CONCATENTATION, file creation, and other manipulations are also provided to modify text from the keyboard or existing files.
Copies: **Just released**
Price: Cassette **$16.95**
    Diskette **$21.95** (specify Applesoft ROM)
    Shipping **$1.25**
Includes: User manual and documentation
Author: **Robert A. Stein, Jr.**
Available from:
    Services Unique, Inc.
    2441 Rolling View Dr.
    Dayton, Ohio 45431

Name: **AMATEUR RADIO LOG PROGRAM**
System: **APPLE II**
Memory: **8K**
Language: **Applesoft II**
Hardware: **Apple II, cassette tape recorder**
Description: This program provides a computerized record of an amateur radio operator's log book.
There are seven functions:

1. Add log entries
2. Print log entries by date.
3. Print log entries by call letters.
4. Print log entries by entering only first 3 digits of call letters and/or entering only call area or district or call sign.
5. Print all log entries.
6. Print names of places (cities, states, counties, countries, etc.) or other info that you enter.
7. Print log entries by entering only the QTH.

Data is printed in for form of:
Date: Time: Call: Freq: MODE: QSL: QTH: Name:
The program is very useful for QSO's, contests, DX, awards, QSLing, QTHs, names.

All of the above questions will be answered after you enter your data and other information.
Copies: **Just released** (at least 10 copies have been sold)
Price: **$12.00**
Includes: Cassette, sample run and instructions to revise.
Author: **Alex Massimo**
Available from:
    Alex Massimo — A F 6 W
    4041 41st Street
    San Diego, CA 92105

Name: **Programmer's Utility Pack**
System: **Apple II**
Memory: **4K to 6K depending on the program used**
Language: **Integer BASIC and Applesoft**
Hardware: **Apple II with cassettee or disk drive**
Description: Set of 11 programs. Appends, STR$ () and VAL () are on printed documentation with the tape version. Programs include: Renumber-Integer & Applesoft, Append-Integer & Applesoft, Line Find-Integer & Applesoft, Address/Hex Converter, Screen find, Memory Move, and the STR$() and VAL() function simulations for Integer. By using the various programs one can renumber Integer and Applesoft programs with all GOTO's, etc, being renumbered and the user alerted to unusual situations in the program. These include referenced line #'s not in the program, lines referenced by a variable or expression, and a number of others. Line Find allows the user to locate the actual address range of a line in memory so as to be able to insert CLR, HIMEM:, etc. Can also be used on occasion to recover programs garbaged by dropped bits. Address/Hex Converter converts between the Hex, Integer, and Applesoft address formats. It also provides the two byte breakdown of numbers greater than 256 for use in pointers, etc. Screen Find is used for printing directly on the screen by POKEing appropriate values into the proper locations in memory. Screen Find gives these values and locations when the characters desired and the horizontal, vertical screen positions are input. Memory Move allows one to move blocks of memory up or down any number of bytes from Integer or Applesoft. The Monitor has a routine similar to this but it cannot be used to move blocks up a small distance and it is not possible to use it directly from Applesoft. STR$( ) simulates the function of this name in Applesoft for use in Interger programs. STR$() in Applesoft converts a number to a string. VAL() is similar but converts strings to numbers.
Copies sold: **Just released**
Price: **$16.95** Calif. residents add 6% sales tax
Includes: Two cassettes or 1 diskette plus documentation

Author: **Rober Wagner**
Available from:
Local Apple dealers or:
Southerwestern Data Systems
P.O. Box 582-MC
Santee, CA 92071
(714) 562-3670
SASE for info.

Name: **MACRO Assebler/Text Editor**
Systems: **PET, Apple II, SYM**
Memory: **16K system recommended. Program occupies 8K.**
Language: **Assembly**
Hardware: **Terminal and one or two cassette decks.**
Disk may be used in lieu of cassette decks.
Description: Combined assembler and text editor software (2000-3FFF) which has the following features: Marco and Conditional Assembly support; binary, hex and decimal constants; labels up to 10 characters; loads/records and appends from tape; string search and/or replace commands; auto line numbering; copy and more commands; linkage vectors to disks; syntax — similar to MOS Technology specs. Over 25 commands, 22 pseudo ops, and 5 conditional assembly operators.

Copies: **Just released. 25 as of April 1979**
Price: **$35.00** plus $2.00 shipping and handling.
Includes: Manual and either PET, Apple II, or SYM (H.S.) cassette tape. No source.
Order Info: Check or money order.
Author: **Carl Moser**
Available from:
C. W. Moser
3239 Linda Drive
Winston-Salem, N.C. 27106

Name: **Commodity File**
System: **Apple II**
Memory: **32K or more**
Language: **Applesoft II**
Hardware: **Disk II, optional printer**
Description: The program stores and retrieves virtually every commodity traded on all exchanges. A self- prompting (burned-in) program allowing the user to enter open/closed contracts. Figures profits/losses, and maintains a running cash balance. Takes into account any amending of cash balance such as new deposits or withdrawals from account. Instantaneous readouts (CRT or printer) of contracts on file, cash balances, P/L statements. Includes color bar graphs depicting cumulative and individual transactions. Also includes routine to proof-read contracts before filing.
Copies: **Just released**
Price: **$14.95** on diskette, **$9.95** on cassette
Includes: Program cassette or diskette, Complete documentation.
Author: **S. Goldstein**
Available from:
MIND MACHINE, Inc.
31 Woodhollow Lane
Huntington, N.Y.
11743

Name: **METRIC-CALC**™
System: **Commodore PET**
Memory: **8K**
Language: **BASIC**
Hardware: **Pet 2001-8 (or 2001-4 with 4K external memory).** Available as special order for 2001-16 or 2001-32.
Description: METRIC-CALC turns your PET into a powerful stack-operated (RPN) scientific calculator that includes metric conversions. Unlike other metric converters, this one lets you *use* the converted figures in your calculations. Unlike other stack-operated calculators, this one lets you *see* the contents of the stack . . . the top five levels are displayed during calculations, and all twenty can be reviewed at any time (as can the twenty addressable storage locations). Numbers "buried" in the stack can be copied to stack-top with a keypress. Functions include instructions, arithmetic, inversion, logarithms, trigonometry, powers . . . too many to include here. Write for flyer. Reviewed in Spring 79 issues of PET Gasette, and Best of PET Gazette.
Copies: **More than 60 sold**
Price: **$7.95** (quantity discount available)
Includes: Cassette in Norelco style box, description and operating instructions, zip-lock protective package.
Designer: **Roy Busdiecker**
Available from: Better computer stores or directly from
Micro Software Systems
P.O. Box 1442
Woodbridge, VA 22193

Name: **MAZE GAME**
System: **PET 2001**
Memory: **8K**
Language: **PET BASIC**
Hardware: **Standard**
Description: This is a real-time game of skill which tests your co-ordination as you attempt to guide a ball through a maze that is displayed on the screen using the PET graphics. There are four levels of play which grade the speed of the ball and the number of mistakes you can make, from the slow learner speed to the ultra-fast masochist level. The maze is 19 by 11 squares and you have to go from left to right (i.e. the long way).
Copies: **Many**
Price: **$19.95**
Author: **Jeff Law**
Available from:
Southern Software Limited
P.O. Box 8683
Auckland, New Zealand

Name: **Sales Forecasting**
System: **Apple**
Memory: **16K**
Language: **Apple II Soft**
Description: Program displays business forecast from the best fit of four curve fits. Manual operation is optional.
Copies: **30**
Price: **$9.95** + $1.00 postage & handling (PA residents add 6% sales tax)
Includes: Cassette with instructions
Author: **Neil D. Lipson**
Available from:
Progressive Software
P.O. Box 273
Ply. Mtg., PA 19462

Name: **Table Generator**
System: **Apple**
Memory: **16K**
Language: **Applesoft II**
Description: A program that forms shape tables with ease. Program adds in other information such as starting address, length and position. Saves all of this information into a useable location in memory.
Copies: **10**
Price: **$9.95** & $1.00 postage & handling (PA residents add 6% sales tax)
Includes: Cassette with instructions
Author: **Murray Summers**
Available from:
    Progressive Software
    P.O. Box 273
    Ply. Mtg., PA 19462

Name: **Restaurant Evaluation**
System: **Apple II**
Memory: **16K**
Language: **Applesoft II**
Hardware: **Disk II (optional)**
Description: Evaluates potential restaurant/nite club sites and thereby reduces the margin of risk involved in purchasing a new or existing business. The program design is of a computer question, user answer nature. The auther has borrowed against his many years of experience in the restaurant business and has built into the program all the necessary percentages to evaluate whether a potential site will be profitable or not. The program calculates monthly gross, computes monthly loan notes (or mortgage) and arrives at a monthly net profit/loss reported in dollar amounts and percentages.
Copies: **Just released**
Price: **$14.95** Diskette, $9.95 cassette + $1.00 Shipping
Author: **M. Goldstein**
Available from:
    MIND MACHINE, Inc.
    31 Woodhollow Lane
    Huntington, NY 11743

Name: **Personal Accounting System—PAS**
System: **PET**
Language: **BASIC**
Hardware: **Single cassette drive or COMPUTHINK disk**
Description: PAS relies heavily on the PET's file capabilities to generate and validate files containing a detailed description of your financial transactions. PAS consists of six programs including those to generate and edit data files, balance your checkbook, reconcile your bank statement, report your outstanding checks and summarize your transactions over a period of time. PAS creates files for monthly transactions, outstanding checks, and summaries.
Includes: Excellent user manual, cassette or disk
Author: **Ronald C. Smith**, SMITHWARE
Copies: **Just released**
Price: Cassette version (8K), **$19.95**; disk version, **$24.95**
Author: **Ronald C. Smith**, SMITHWARE
Available from:
    PROGRAMMA INTERNATIONAL
    3400 Wilshire Blvd.
    Los Angeles, CA 90010

Name: **SIGNS**
System: **PET 2001**
Memory: **8K**
Language: **PET BASIC** (IEEE port 5)
Hardware: **Printer** (PET or RS-232)
Description: The signs package is intended for producing posters, headings and other signs, in several formats, to be printed on a printer. The package consists of two programs written for 8K PET systems. One program initializes data for the signs program and then the second program requests text for the sign and prints the sign out with three sizes of letter (micro, small and big); left, centre or right justified on tha page, with options to specify foreground and background characters. Other options include NEWPAGE, SPACE n, and END.
Copies: **Many**
Price: **$19.95**
Author: **Terry Teague**
Available from:
    Southern Software Limited
    P.O. Box 8683
    Auckland, New Zealand

Name: **Othello**
System: **6502 SYM-1 bare system**
Memory Required: **1K**
Language Used: **6502 Machine Language**
Hardware Required: **None**
Description: The look ahead ply depth is entered through the key board. Player or computer may move first. All sequences of moves are evaluated, with the 2,3,4,5, etc. ply game requiring 1 sec, 8 sec, 1 min, 8 min, etc. respectively per move. Every move, is checked for legality, (beeper sounds if move is invalid) and all moves and number flipped are displayed automatically. Player enters his moves through the keyboard. Ply depth is automatically incremented near the end of the game. For example, in 1 min, the computer plays the last 7 moves perfectly!
Price: **$6.95**
Includes: Cassette (KIM format) and instructions
Author: **David B. Schaechter**
Available from:
    David B. Schaechter
    4343 Ocean View Blvd. Apt. 261
    Montrose, CA 91020

Name: **ALGEBRA**
System: **APPLE II**
Memory: **16K**
Language: **Integer BASIC and Machine Language**
Description: School tested enjoyable algebra programs, using missing words, this interactive program starts the student learning algebra on the high school level.
Copies: **Just released**
Price: **$9.95** for cassette with 2 lessons
Includes: Cassette and loading instructions
Author: **George Earl**
Available from:
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    1302 S. Gen. McMullen
    San Antonio, TX 78237

To Tape or Not to Tape:
What is the Question?

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Dust off that oscilloscope and clear up some of the mystery behind digital data recording on audio cassette.

These lines are penned in an attempt to clear up some of the mysteries of doing the impossible, and to explain some of the apparent idiosyncrasies of electronics. Some microcomputer operators are neophytes in basic electronics, and so, this little lesson will endeavor to explain what each part is, how it works, and why it is used in a given circuit. I would suggest you try the experiments shown in Figure 3 for a better understanding of the circuit theory.

Those who don't own an oscilloscope, could make one of your club meetings into an evening away from talking about the merits of software or peripherals, and try to understand what you are paying for when you lay out that long green. Of course, remember to invite someone who owns an oscilloscope.

As the title of this episode suggests, we will investigate why such a simple thing as making a tape recording can cause so much discussion. Most computerists have seen a drawing of the electrical signal put out from a Teletype keyboard and have noted the similarity to drawings of an ASCII signal; let's face it, we've got to learn how to handle these fast changes of DC voltage called square waves, obviously a misnomer because we all know that waves are rythmic undulations of matter and therefore can never really be square.

We are told that a square wave is an "instantaneous" change of voltage from one level to another, with both levels maintained without variation until the next change of state. For TTL circuits these levels are approximately plus 4.8V for level 2 and plus 0.2V for level 1, usually just called 5V for a "1" and zero V for a "0".

I hinted that I was going to talk about the tape recording of digital signals, and I will. First of all, as Dr. DeJong might say, Earthpeople have not yet invented an audio tape recorder that will record or playback digital signals composed of the classical description of the same, namely, "A series of square waves varying only in frequency or timing but unvarying in amplitude." A Teletype punched paper tape comes very close to the ideal way of making a permanent recording of digital signals and, when played back, will produce digital signals very close to the original; however, the expense of one of these machines puts it beyond the budget of most of us. And besides, where do you store all that paper tape?

Them fellers in Kansas City are pretty smart for flatlanders 'cause they figured out a way to fool a computer into thinking it is receiving square waves when it really ain't, and that's the gist of my story. All your computer wants to receive on the "from tape recorder" line is data to say that this frequency of tone means a "one" and this frequency of tone means a "zero". "Sounds so darn simple" you say, "How come one of us mountain folk never thought of that?" Now if we can just make our computer generate those two tones and put them on the "to tape recorder" line in the correct sequence and time, we will have a system like the boys from Kansas City envisioned.

As we said before, even the best tape recorder cannot record square waves, but that is all our computer can generate, so we must modify these square waves to fool the tape recorder into thinking they are distorted sine

waves. Then, when they are played back to the computer, it will modify these distorted sine waves back to square waves which our computer can digest.

Figure 1 shows the "tape out" circuitry of the Synertek VIM-1 microcomputer. Because the tape recorder requires only a few millivolts on its input line, the 5 volt square wave from pin 9 must be reduced to usable proportions by the voltage divider formed by R90, R89, and R88. R90 does double duty in conjunction with C14; it forms a low pass filter which has the effect of slowing down the rise time of the square wave signal from pin 9 to a modified square wave with rounded corners as shown on the schematic, and if the "LO" terminal on this machine is used, some additional "rounding off" of the signal will be accomplished by the added cable capacitance in conjunction with R89.

Now, one important thing is that the recorder input level control must be set so that no overloading of the amplifier stages in the recorder occur (because that drives the transistors in there crazy) but so that a sufficient level is maintained for operating the tape head. Recorders with automatic level control (ALC) are great for this type of service because they don't have any recording level control to adjust.

"Aha!" you say, "My tape recorder is a hi fi unit and will reproduce these distorted sine waves just as recorded, and that is not what my computer wants to see." This is true, but the computer is expecting this type of a signal and is prepared for it, as in Figure 2. The output signals

from most cassette tape recorders would be a little further distorted from the passage of semi-square waves through the output transformer, which no longer sees the correct load because we have disconnected the 8 ohm loudspeaker. It reflects this change of load impedance back to the primary, in turn destroying the fidelity of the output stage.

Looking at Figure 2, the schematic of the tape recorder input of the Synertek VIM 1, the recorder will see a load of approximately 270 ohms formed by the series impedance of R128 (100 ohms), C15 (170 ohms @ 2,000 Hz), and CR36,37 (approximately 100 ohms) to ground, less the parallel resistance of C16, R92, and diodes CR28, CR29 through R94 to ground, for a total of 264 ohms. The 0.5 watt or more available from the output of the recorder is capable of driving this load to better than 11 volts, which is now divided down to the correct voltage to drive the op amp "sine to square converter" U26.

This division is accomplished via the impedance of C16 (8,000 ohms @ 2,000 Hz) plus R92 (1,000 ohms) through CR28, CR29 (100 ohms) and R94 (3.3K ohms) to ground. So if we adjust the recorder gain control for approximately 8 volts at the input terminal we should have about 2V of signal at op amp pin 3.

This voltage is more than enough to cause diodes CR28 and 29 to clip the voltage peaks at 1.5V and limit the input to the op amp. With the amplified inverse voltage from pin 7 fed to pin 2 through R96, the signal at pin X on the expansion connector will be a nice clean replica of the near perfect, zero to 5 volt square wave we first generated from U37 in Figure 1. R128, C15 and diode CR37 form an audio voltmeter, while diode CR36 is a recording level indicator illuminated by the rectified voltage from CR37.

Now that we thoroughly understand all of the above, let's prove that this really works. Refer to Figure 3 and construct a simple square wave generator on a Proto board with an oscillator operating at approximately 2,000 Hz and an inverting buffer to simulate the internal generator in the computer. We will need a 4011 Quad Dual Gate Integrated Circuit, 5 resistors, and 2 capacitors to build the generator and divider chain. In addition, we will also require a 5V power supply to operate the unit.

Hook up the power supply and, if there is no smoke, start by connecting the oscilloscope to point X in Figure 3. It should reveal a fairly good square wave approximately 5V in amplitude. With C1 temporarily disconnected, point Y will show the same square wave at approximately 1.5V of amplitude, while point Z shows .036V of square wave.

Reconnect C1 to point Y and note the distortion at this point on the rise and

Figure 1

fall times, but not on the amplitude of the square waves. Point Z will be a reduced voltage version of this distorted square wave. Or is it a distorted sine wave?

The frequency chosen for this experiment (2,000 Hz is the center of the two frequencies used on the VIM or SYM microcomputers) will have a direct bearing on the values chosen for R1 and C1. Too large a value for either would reduce the amplitude and shape of the wave we are looking for. Too little value would reduce the rounding off of the rise time.

Try it: add 0.022 mf in parallel with C1 and note the added distortion and reduction in signal strength to near triangular wave at one-half the voltage.

Remove this added capacitor and construct Figure 4 on the Proto board, keeping Figure 3 intact. Now jumper point Y on Figure 3 to "IN" on Figure 4, as per the dotted line. Because the signal at point Y is only 1.2V, diodes CR36 and CR37 cannot conduct, effectively disconnecting R6 and C4 and lightening the load so that point Y does not distort much beyond the original shape prior to addition of the jumper. Checking

Figure 2

Figure 3

now at pins 2, 3, and 6 should yield signals approximating those shown on the schematic.

Disconnect the jumper from point Y to "IN" and prepare for the big test. Referring to your tape recorder instruction manual, connect a shielded lead from point Z or Y to the mike or auxiliary input and make a five minute recording of the 2,000 Hz signal. Rewind the tape and connect the IN terminal of Figure 4, again with a shielded line, to the monitor or earphone jack on the recorder. Press the PLAY button and adjust the volume control to obtain 6 to 8 volts of signal at the IN terminal. With the oscilloscope connected to pin 6 of the op amp, you should see a fair replica of the square wave you first saw at pin 3 of the 4011 oscillator buffer.

Your scope should have a 10 MHz bandwidth, to observe fast square waves, but any scope will do for these experiments, and that's why I said a "fair replica" of the signal.

All things considered, the design of the VIM 1 cassette interface is more than adequate. When I first fired up my VIM, the only tape I could lay may hands on immediately was a 39 cent, 200 times erasure/rewind tape that my daughter had used to bring home her French language home work. I used this tape to make a Sync tape and record the first few short programs. It still loads every digit without dropouts.

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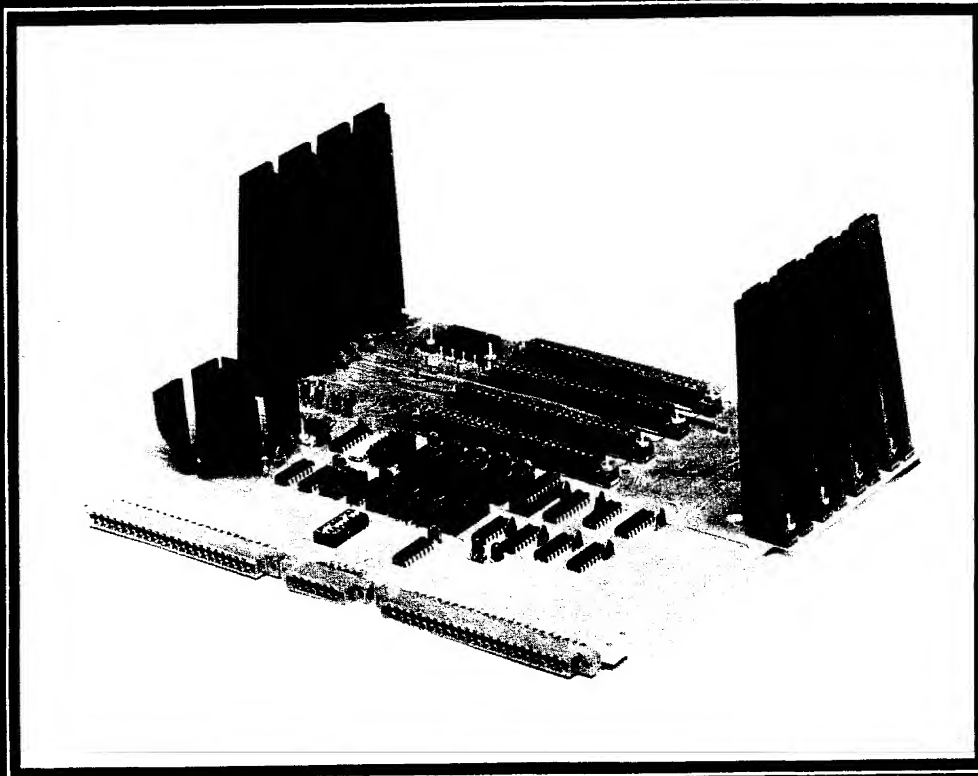
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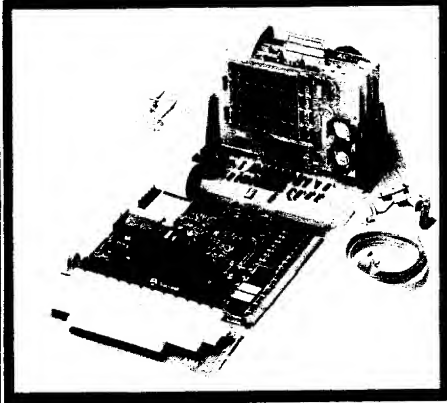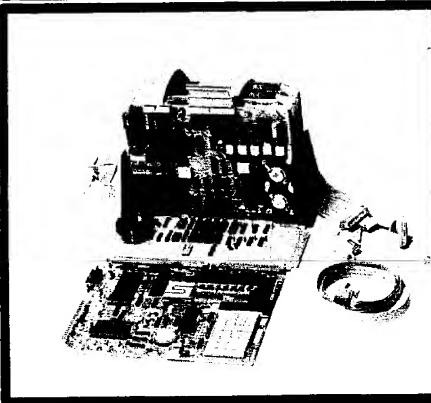Swank, HJoel "PIA's for KIM", pg. 41-42.
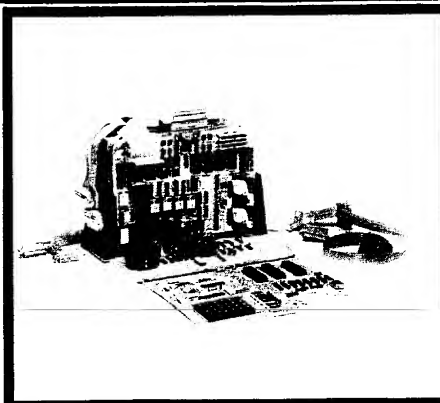Connect a Motorola 6820 PIA to your KIM.

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